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## Police take aim at minors drinking

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon is the major event for paddlers from across the country and for the Grayling community, but police say it's no place for minors to be drinking.

Officers from the Crawford County Sheriff's Department and Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police are stepping up enforcement this year, keeping an eye out for minors who are drinking during the marathon.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said marathon organizers, as well as the general public, raised concerns about minors consuming alcohol during the marathon after a recent magazine article was published regarding people who follow the paddlers throughout the night during the race.

Lt. Patrick Boyd, the commander of the Houghton Lake State Police post, has pledged a half dozen troopers to cover the marathon, four who will be working the race and two troopers who will be on the road. Wakefield said state funding aimed at targeting minors drinking will pay for the troopers to cover the marathon.

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## AuSable Marathon to start on Saturday

Thousands of spectators will witness 66 teams battling the elements and each other during the 59th Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon, a 120-mile, non-stop canoe race from Grayling to Oscoda set to begin at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 29.

Before the race, paddling teams will

compete in Time Trials to determine starting positions for the run to the river on Saturday night. Time Trials will be held at Penrod's on Thursday, July 27, from 5-9 p.m. and Friday, July 28, from 2-6 p.m.

With sixty-six teams, this year's AuSable Marathon has one of the largest

field of competitors in the event's 59-year history. The all-time record for most AuSable Marathon teams to start the race was set in 2000 with 68.

For more on this year's Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon, check out our four-page pull-out section on Pages 5-8B.



Photo by Caleb Casey

Andy Triebold and Matt Rimer reach the finish line of Sunday's Spike's Challenge C-2 canoe race, edging second place finishers Mo Harwood and Steve Lajoie by two seconds. For more on the Spike's Challenge, see Page 1B.

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Spectator Guide 2006  
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Sixty-six teams to start this  
year's AuSable Marathon



### 2006 AuSable Marathon Entry List

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The Crawford County Avalanche's Spectator Guide 2006 - a special four-page pullout section (Pages 5-8B) - includes an AuSable River Canoe Marathon entry list, paddler profiles, course map, and spectator information.

## Uptown Live scores nearly \$1,200 for skate park

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

The only thing better than a party is a party for a cause. For those who attended the Uptown Live event on Michigan Avenue last Friday night, they could rock a little harder knowing that their fun was supporting Grayling's plan to provide local kids with a safe and healthy place to spend their time.

Uptown Live was a festival featuring live music, games and an auction. Everything was free, but attendees were encouraged to donate to the planned Grayling skate park, which is being built behind city hall.

It is expected that a new skate park will help local kids get active while using their energy in a safe environment.

The installation and maintenance of skate ramps is expensive, however. The goal of Uptown Live was to take a dent out of that cost. In all, nearly \$1,200 in donations were collected.

"I think we exceeded what we thought we were going to do," said event organizer Sandra Moore.

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Jake Allen and the Grey Link Review elicited a strong response from an enthusiastic crowd. They played several songs from Jake Allen's newest release, "The Color EP."

## Lease agreement for shelter signed

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners has entered into a 20-year lease agreement with the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

The board approved the pact at its regular meeting last week, which allows the shelter board to build and operate a new facility at the Crawford County Fairgrounds.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners is applying for a \$330,000 loan and \$20,000 grant through U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) on behalf of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County Board.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc., a non-profit agency, has operated the shelter since 1991 when the county decided it would no longer run the shelter due to budget woes.

The shelter facilities are in dire need of repair and replacement.

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# Meth cooker sent to prison

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Circuit Court Judge Dennis F. Murphy handed down a stiff sentence for a 60-year-old Arkansas man who was arrested for making methamphetamine in a camping trailer in Beaver Creek Township.

Murphy, on Monday, July 17, sentenced Roger Dale Anderson to serve 10 to 20 years in prison for a charge of controlled substance deliver-manufacture methamphetamine. Murphy, setting a precedent since this was the first methamphetamine lab seized by police in Crawford County, exceeded recommended

sentencing guidelines from probation and parole officers, who has asked for a six to 10 year prison term.

Anderson was arrested by investigators from the Strike Team Investigative Narcotics Group (STING) on Jan. 10, 2005 in a house trailer located on Gaberdeil Trail in Beaver Creek Township.

Employees at a drug store in West Branch tipped police off that people were buying large amounts of ingredients used to make methamphetamine, a powerful and highly addictive drug.

Over-the-counter cold and allergy medications and diet aides containing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine are used to make methamphetamine, along with a mix of common household items such as nail polish remover, lantern fuel matches and toxic chemicals including sodium hydroxide, muriatic acid, anhydrous ammonia and sulfuric acid.

Police were able to locate the methamphetamine lab in a trailer after witnessing surveillance videos and receiving tips.

Anderson was staying in the trailer, which is owned by Christopher Thompson, in exchange for helping Thompson work on his house trailer.

Anderson, at his sentencing hearing, said he was stranded in Northern Michigan. Authorities, however, learned that he had fled Arkansas after he was sentenced

to serve five years in prison on Dec. 15, 2003 for possession of drug paraphernalia with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine.

Prior to Anderson's sentencing, Thompson acknowledged that he purchased items used to make methamphetamine for Anderson while he was shopping for Christmas gifts in West Branch and Grayling. Thompson, however, denied making methamphetamine, knowing how to make the drug or using the drug due to a heart condition.

Thompson, who was charged with 10 felonies in connection with the meth lab, has entered into a plea agreement with Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss for his testimony against Anderson.

Anderson contended that Thompson was not being truthful during the court hearing, saying that Thompson and his family members used methamphetamine.

"It didn't matter how much was made - there was never enough of it," Anderson said.

Murphy said he was convinced that Thompson was telling the truth during the court hearing. He added that Anderson's prior conviction in Arkansas involving methamphetamine, as well as the fact he hid in an attic when police came to arrest him and gave police a false name, convinced him that he was the

"brains" behind the operation.

Murphy called methamphetamine "the most dangerous, hideous drug" that law enforcement officials are dealing with.

"We can't have this kind of activity, period," Murphy said. "You brought this on yourself, sir."

The lab Anderson is accused of operating was seized by a Michigan State Police Emergency Response Team. Huss noted that he recently heard of law enforcement officers who have developed a particular strain of cancer because they handled methamphetamine labs wearing plain cloths before they knew they had to wear special protective gear, gloves and masks to avoid being exposed to the toxic by-products from methamphetamine labs.

"They have received a death sentence just because they were enforcing the law," Huss said.

Huss was pleased with the sentence given to Anderson. He added that people who cooperate with authorities regarding methamphetamine operations would be given plea bargain deals, but people who have the hands on activity as the cookers in the labs would receive no leniency.

"People that are cooking meth in Crawford County - I suggest they get the message," Huss said. "This is dangerous stuff and that's a long time to sit in prison."

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## Police take aim at minors drinking

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"The message to the youth is - beware - because there will be a lot of badges out there," Wakefield said.

Eight deputies from the Crawford County Sheriff's Department will also be policing the marathon, handling crowd control, bridge closures and trespassing complaints.

"My whole focus is on public safety, trying to keep people from hurting themselves and hurting others," Wakefield said. "I do want people to enjoy the marathon, but we want them to do it with an open mind and safely."

## iLevel™ NASCAR® Show Car to Visit Grayling

Grayling, MI - The iLevel™ by Weyerhaeuser Ford Fusion™ show car, a functional NASCAR® Busch® Series race car, is coming to Grayling as part of a U.S. tour of iLevel facilities. The car will be on display to the public in Downtown Grayling free of charge.

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The public is invited to view the show car on Saturday July 29th on Michigan Avenue in Downtown Grayling. The car will be on display from 10 to 3.

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# CAMP 911



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Just over a dozen area youngsters attended Camp 911, which was hosted by the staff at Mobile Medical Response last Thursday and Friday. The youth learned about boat safety, CPR, first aid and making emergency 911 calls. Above left, Trooper Harold Terry, the K9 handler for the Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police and "Valor," take a photo with Brady Bendig, 9, of Roscommon and Sarah Lewis, 9, also from Roscommon. Above, right Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officer John Huspen explains the safety equipment needed inside the boat. Below, left, Sarah Lewis, 9, of Roscommon, sits in the seat of a Life Link helicopter, which is based out of the Saginaw Covenant Hospital. Below right, Susan Brzezinski, a Life Link flight nurse, shows the Camp 911 participants how a patient is cared for in the helicopter.



## Community supports hatchery roof replacement

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Grayling Fish Hatchery building will have a new roof overhead in the next couple of months.

Bids for the roofing project for the Grayling Fish Hatchery building are due on Friday, July 28.

Bruce Patrick, chairman of the Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee, said contractors from Grayling, Roscommon and Houghton Lake have shown interest in the project.

In June, the Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee was awarded a \$30,000 grant, which will pay to replace the roof on the hatchery building, from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

In December, the hatchery committee submitted a grant application in hopes of obtaining USDA Rural Business Enterprise grant funds.

The grant funds are earmarked to fund and finance small and emerging business enterprises in rural areas and can be used for the repair and modernization of buildings. The hatchery committee hopes to establish a nature museum in the building.

Contractors will face a Sept. 30 deadline to have the roof in place. "That's the end of the fiscal year for the federal government and they would like to have the money spent by then," Patrick said.

The Grayling City Council pledged \$1,700 as part of a local grant match for the project.

"Hopefully, the fish hatchery building will return to the operation that it once was, and will be a place for residents and tourist who come to the community to go 'see,'" said Larry Akers, the mayor for the City of Grayling.

The Mason Griffith Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Chemical Bank and Fick and Sons, Inc. also contributed funds for the project.

"The fish hatchery building is one of the older buildings in the community and it is a shame to see it in the shape that it's in," said Charlie Fick, president of Fick and Sons, Inc. "We just want to be part of the community and do our part to help out the fish hatchery."

The Grayling Township Board and Waste Management, Inc. have agreed to help defray disposal costs for the project.

In 1914, Grayling lumber baron Rasmus Hanson purchased land on the AuSable River, collected donations from friends and local fishermen and established the private hatchery where they hoped to raise grayling from eggs and release them into the wild.

Hanson and his friends failed to save the native fish, whose habitat was destroyed by floating logs down the river to local lumber mills, but their work with brook and brown trout succeeded.

The initial fish hatchery building was built in 1919. The current fish hatchery building was built in 1948.

Grayling residents banded together in the early 1980s and received permission from the state to open the hatchery after it had been closed for several years.

The Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee completed a project to restore the fish hatchery grounds with a \$464,000 Department of Natural Resources grant in 2003.

The fish hatchery committee will continue to seek funding for replacing siding of the building, restore the interior and replace the building's mechanical systems.

"Once we get the roof in place, we can save the building, and

hopefully people will see that we are doing something and we can complete the rest of the project," Patrick said.

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### Correction

In the July 20, 2006 Avalanche: the AuSable River Festival schedule of events correct band sponsors for the HUP Race are AuSable Construction and AID Forest Products.

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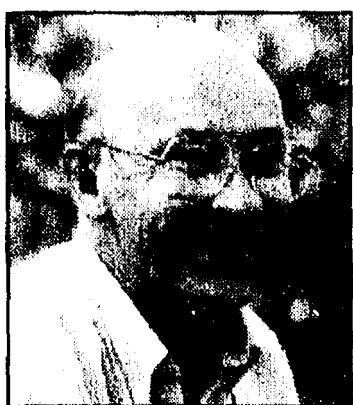
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

### Let's take a breather from politics this week

HAD ENOUGH politics for a while?

It's only a primary coming up on August 8, but for some reason the newspapers and air waves seem cluttered by news and views about the world of politics.

One would think the Michigan governor's race will be decided in August, with all the campaigning and advertising going on, and it will only intensify as November nears.

Local legislative contests are hotly contested in many areas, and at least one congressional district -- the 7th district in southern Michigan -- is undergoing a down and dirty struggle aimed by conservatives to unseat first term U.S. Rep. Joe Schwarz of Battle Creek. The theme seems to be which candidate is more conservative.

The Republican senate primary between Keith Butler and Mike

Bouchard has failed to light many fires; the November challenge to Democratic Sen. Debby Stabenow certainly will be livelier.

Sure, politics and elections are important. We all should know about the candidates and the issues, and newspapers and other media help us do that. But everyone needs a respite once in a while. For the Almanack, that's now. So let's discuss other things.

**PENNY GOING?** -- The good old reliable one-cent copper penny may become obsolete soon. Making them costs too much money.

An estimated 150 billion pennies now are out there somewhere, either floating around or socked away in piggy banks. It costs about 1.4 cents to produce a penny, and the US mint in Philadelphia, which produces

100 million pennies each week, will lose about \$13 million on the deal this year.

Polls indicate Americans aren't ready to give up the penny yet, and fear it will cost them more money because prices will round up to the nearest nickel. They probably would.

So maybe it's time to take that old advice to save our pennies. If they go out of production, the value of a penny likely will go up, and a penny saved may become much more than a penny earned.

**USELESS STATISTICS** -- One place the U.S. is whipping China is in production of lawyers. Parade magazine reports China has one lawyer for every 12,745 persons, while America has one for every 274 persons. New York has the most lawyers with 140,000 and North Dakota the

fewest with 1,297. In Washington, DC, there's one lawyer for every 14 residents.

China really clobbers us in another area, however, and so does India. In 2004, China graduated about 500,000 engineers, and India about 200,000, while in the United States, 70,000 engineers were produced.

Speaking of Washington, Parade also reports the workforce on Capitol Hill is 30,000, while the number of registered lobbyists in Washington is 32,000, which answers the question of how certain laws are like they are.

Maybe these statistics aren't so useless after all.

**INTERESTING QUOTES** -- A couple of public statements which caught my fancy:

Lansing City Council member Brian Jeffries, explaining why

the council's own operating budget was out of balance by about 12 percent: "We were underfunded, we didn't overspend."

Oh, now I understand ... it isn't our fault ... but who adopted the budget?

Minor league baseball player Delmon Young about a 50-game suspension for throwing a bat that hit an umpire in the chest: "I really don't think I have anger management issues. I'm competitive. I just let the emotions get a little better than me sometimes. I've got to get better."

His conclusion that he must improve may be correct, although his rationale may be a bit questionable.

**REASONS TO SMILE** (thanks to an internet friend):

How come we choose from just two people to run for president and more than 50 for Miss

America?

Favorite bumper sticker: "If you can read this, thank a teacher. Since it's in English, thank a soldier."

Why is it our children cannot read a Bible in school, but they can read one in prison?

And why must I swear on a Bible in court, when the Ten Commandments cannot be displayed inside the building, or even outside?

A good friend will come and bail you out of jail, but a true friend will be sitting next to you saying, "Wow ... that was fun!"

Don't argue with an idiot; people watching may not be able to tell the difference.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## Thanks for letting me live in such a cool town

To the editor,

What a cool town! Friday night I was fortunate enough to be downtown and see that a large part of the local community come out to support the young people of our town in their efforts to raise the money to build a skate park here in Grayling.

I saw a Judge and the High School Principal among many others sitting in the dunk tank, I saw young and old alike manning all kinds of booths from hot dog, and pizza stands to neck rubs and everything in between all the while being treated to the music of several different local bands.

From what I have seen from all the wonderful people who make up this community I'm sure this doesn't seem like a real big deal to most of you, but I have known of towns where the kids were constantly ran off the parking lots, or told they couldn't ride their skateboards virtually anywhere. Signs in bold letters even started to appear everywhere, even on the parking lots of churches warning that SKATEBOARDS NOT

ALLOWED!

As I sat there busting my diet trying to see just how many hot dogs I could pack away, I noticed that it wasn't just the kids and their parents doing all this but the people from all through the community many my age or older whose children have long since grown up.

I started to think ahead five, 10, or 20 years when I'm an old geezer and all these wonderful youngsters have become the soldiers, and surgeons, and nurses and all the other positions in life that I and others only remember filling. I couldn't help but wonder if in that time in the future if I had to have surgery, or have someone bring my meds and help me get out of my nursing home bed into my wheelchair, or have to depend on the soldier heading into battle to defend my life and freedom. Then just like that I stopped wondering and I became pretty sure that I would rather he or she looked down at me and said to themselves, "Hey, that's ole Rick, I remember him when I was a kid he helped build me a skate park, I wanna be sure I cut carefully,

or I think I'll double check the dosage, or I know why I'm risking my life it's not just for the life and freedom of me and my family but for all the people from my home town who helped build me a skate park instead of just running me off because their insurance might go up."

I have made a career out of helping people select the investments that will secure their future, and I can honestly and from my heart assure anyone that there is no investment on Wall Street or anywhere else that will do that as surely as an investment in our young people. I was touched to see so many from this community not only knew that, but were there doing it.

So if you missed this chance the next time you see a notice in the paper of a fundraiser for the skatepark or anything else to show the youngsters of our community how much we care about them, come out, eat a hot dog or a piece of pizza or a brownie. Or just drop a couple of bucks into a donation can, it may be the best money you ever spend. Thanks for letting me live in such a cool town.

Rick Grisham  
Grayling

## Give land to build tax base

To the editor:

Back when I first started writing to the editor, fifteen or twenty years ago, I suggested that the county of Crawford take back land in lieu of the money the state holds back from our share and give two or three acres to anyone that can and wants to build a house to code within two years of receiving it.

I, of course received no answer, most thought it was crazy. Some people in this town don't or didn't want Grayling to grow. With the state and the National Guard owning about 80 percent of the land and paying about six percent of the taxes. The rest of us pay the ninety-four percent or lose our land to the same state, and we don't even get kissed. So sad, so bad.

But I heard on the news that in another state, I'm not sure which, is trying just what I suggested. But they're giving the new owner a tax abatement until their house is built.

It's still something to look into. To build up our tax base and to bring the house building industry to Grayling. Especially if they buy their supplies here and it will put more people to work.

Richard D.L. Buley  
Grayling

## VIEWPOINT

By Alice Snyder, Director Crawford County Commission on Aging

### High temperatures prove dangerous for senior citizens

As temperatures reach record-highs, the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging urges people to look out for their elderly family, friends, and neighbors.

Older adults are at a higher risk of experiencing heat-related illness. Existing health conditions such as heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, and obesity can heighten their vulnerability. Certain prescription and over-the-counter medications can also place a person at increased risk.

High temperatures can place abnormal stress on a person's body. When body temperatures rise even just a few degrees, individuals may experience muscle cramps, dizziness, confusion, and lethargy. This can result in dehydration, heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and the most severe - heat stroke. Heat stroke can be life threatening and immediate emergency medical attention is vital.

Seniors who live alone and in older homes without air-conditioning are among those most at risk. Check on your elderly neighbors and family members

to ensure they are staying hydrated and cool. Offer to take them to an air-conditioned building such as a local designated cooling center, shopping center, library or senior center.

Symptoms of heat related illness could develop over several days or strike during a single burst of strenuous activity. To prevent symptoms of heat stress, people of all ages should:

Drink plenty of water, even when you may not be thirsty.

Avoid alcoholic and caffeinated drinks as they cause dehydration.

Wear clothing that allows good air circulation.

Limit vigorous activity. Try to plan your daily activities prior to 10 a.m. or after 2 p.m.

If you are outside, seek the shelter of shade.

Use air-conditioning whenever possible.

The best defense is prevention. To ensure the safety of loved ones, please assist them in taking preventative measures. If illness does occur, please seek immediate medical attention.

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of The Crawford County Avalanche.

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# BRIEFS

## COA to host marathon breakfast

The senior center, located at 308 Lawndale St., will hold an all you can eat Marathon Breakfast, Saturday, July 29, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., consisting of pancakes, sausage, eggs and fruit bar. Cost is \$5 per person and open to all marathon participants and spectators. For more information or for transportation, contact Louise Mize at (989) 348-7123.

## COA to participate in swap day

The senior center, located at 308 Lawndale St., will be participating in a Senior Center Swap Day, Monday, Aug. 1. The Alpena Senior Center will be hosting Grayling for lunch and a tour of Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center and Fletcher Brewing Company. The tours will be followed by root beer floats and an ice cream social. The bus will be leaving the center at 9:30 a.m. and the cost is \$10. If you need more information or to make reservations call Louise Mize at (989) 348-7123.

## COA to host speaker

The senior center, located at 308 Lawndale St., will host speaker Laurie Falbe from Heartland Home Healthcare & Hospice, on Tuesday, Aug. 1, following the 5 p.m. dinner. Included in the presentation will be information on volunteer opportunities for hospice. If you need more information or transportation call Louise Mize at (989) 348-7123.

## Relay for Life to host Pizza for a Cure

The American Cancer Society will host Pizza for a Cure, on Saturday, July 29, at Pizza Hut. Pizza Hut will donate \$2 for every large pizza and \$1 for every medium pizza sold to Relay for Life.

## GHS Equestrian team to hold meeting

The Grayling High School Equestrian team will hold an organizational meeting on Monday, July 31, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library. The team is for high school students who have a horse or are interested in horses and would like to compete in English, Western, or speed action events. If you are interested, but unable to attend or need information, contact Denise DeVolder at 821-8921 or Val Sloan at 348-4149.

## Friends of the libraries to hold book sale

Friends of the Crawford County Libraries will hold a used book sale on Thursday, July 27, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and on Friday, July 28, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library.

## State Retirees to hold annual picnic

The North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association, will hold their annual picnic on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at the Houghton Lake Community Building at 1 p.m. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Chicken, coffee and iced tea will be furnished. All retired state employees and their spouses are invited.

## Donut sale to benefit animal shelter

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County will be selling fresh Krispy Kreme donuts and coffee beginning at 8 a.m., on July 29 during the AuSable River Festival's car show and throughout the day in the food court, while supplies last. Prices are 50 cents each or \$6 per boxed dozen. The shelter's food court booth will also feature coney dogs, sloppy joes, popcorn, cold drinks and fund raiser items. All proceeds to benefit shelter operations and new building fund.

## Church hosts all-you-can-eat luncheon

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, on Michigan Avenue, Grayling, will host an all-you-can-eat luncheon of hot casserole, a sandwich, salad, soup and dessert on Thursday, Aug. 3, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person and take-out orders are available. Everyone is welcome.

## Festival parade invites kids to participate

The 2006 AuSable River Festival Parade Committee is inviting children to decorate their bikes and ride in the parade.

Decorate your bike ahead of time and meet in the parking lot in the back of the middle school (north side), on Ogemaw St., (you may want to dress up as your favorite singer), July 29, at 1:45 p.m., (parade is at 3 p.m.,

with float judging at 2 p.m.)

There will be judging with prizes for winners and ribbons for everyone.

The children will be riding behind the Little Bear Day Care float which will have four adults working with their kids and watching bike riders. Parents are welcome to walk along too, if they desire.

## DISTRICT HEALTH #10 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for August.

Immunization clinics: Aug. 2, and 16 by appointment, call (989) 348-7800.

Family planning clinic: Aug. 1, 8, and 22. Call (989) 348-7800 for appointment.

WIC clinics: This program provides supplemental foods and nutrition education for eligible pregnant and breast feeding women, infants and children: Aug. 2, 7-10-11, 16, 18, 21-23-24, and 28.

Call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions: For information call (231) 876-3839.

Breast and cervical cancer screenings: Available to women ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled Aug. 29 in Grayling. Call (989)-348-7800, ext. 8042, for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings: This is a free program for children ages three years to third grade. Appointments are necessary. Clinics are held in Crawford County at the Head Start Building in Grayling. Call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

The Crawford County branch office of District Health Department #10 is located on Meadows Drive, east of the South I-75 Business Loop, in Grayling.

## Visit with the Gov



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Gov. Jennifer Granholm held constituent office hours at the Visitors Center at Hartwick Pines State Park on Tuesday, July 18. Granholm met with several groups, organizations and public officials during the visit including the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership (CCEDP). Pictured above from left to right, Dr. John Sloan, a CCEDP board member, Gailia Gilliland, the economic development director for CCEDP, and Dave Stephenson, the chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners and vice chairman for the CCEDP Board. Back row, Kay Cosgray, president of the CCEDP and business liaison for Michigan Works, Granholm, Lee Riley, the Beaver Creek Township supervisor and a CCEDP board member and Stephanie Reimer-Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling and secretary for the CCEDP Board.

## Kirtland Center for the performing presents Comedy Two Night

Comedy Two Nite comes to Kirtland straight from the Showboat Branson Belle in Branson, Mo. Comedy Two Nite features Jim Oakley and Chris Linn, two top-flight comedians masquerading as a juggler and a magician. What a concept, a clean comedy/variety show that provides a proven mix of comedy, variety and audience involvement.

For over 25 years, Oakley has delighted audiences across the country with his unique brand of comedy entertainment. People everywhere have discovered that Oakley is more than just a comedian. He's an outstanding entertainer who is sure to tickle your funny bone.

He has appeared with the Everly Brothers; Michael Bolton; Captain & Tennille; Engelbert Humperdinck; Motown's Four Tops and Smokey Robinson; Manhattan Transfer, The Smothers Brothers; and country music stars Pam Tillis, Roy Clark and the Oak Ridge Boys, to name a few.

In 1989, Oakley was scheduled to perform at a convention in Virginia where former President George Bush and his wife Barbara were scheduled to speak. The White House wanted entertainment prior to their speeches, and chose Oakley to perform his comedy act for 5,000 people. The audience enjoyed Oakley's show, as did the Secret Service Agent who stood onstage throughout his act to be sure the axe Oakley was juggling would not be used as a weapon.

Oakley returned to Branson in 2005 where he split the season with Comedy Magician Chris Linn as the featured performer on the Showboat Branson Belle. This led to the collaboration between Oakley and Linn, two long time friends who understand the importance of comedy in a variety show that also features magic and juggling.

Linn looks like a new kid on this block, but he is a veteran performer who has made audiences laugh for years. A delightfully play full performer, Linn uses unique magic, crazy stunts, visual effects and audience interaction to create a truly multi-dimensional comedy performance.

Don't let his trademark boyish grin fool you; Linn has been entertaining audiences around the world for over 17 years. While he was still in high school, Linn was awarded top honors for stage magic at Tannen's Magic

Academy in New York, and was one of only ten teenage performers from around the world selected to perform at the World Magic Summit in Las Vegas.

Linn has made numerous international television appearances, including guest appearances on Fox TV's Vicki Lawrence show and the PBS documentary, Share The Magic. Linn is a regular at Busch Gardens, Hershey Park, and Radisson Seven Seas Cruise Lines.

Skill, laughter and entertainment are what you can expect from Oakley and Linn. Together they are Comedy Two Nite and they will be appearing at Kirtland Community College on Saturday, Aug. 12 at 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 and \$13 and are available at 989-275-6777 or online at [www.kirtland.edu/kepa](http://www.kirtland.edu/kepa).

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Information regarding RHI medical transportation services can be obtained by contacting: Julie Dean @ 348-8215

## SPECIAL EVENT TRIPS \*:

Scheduled For August 2006

**Trip #1**  
**Tuesday, August 1, 2006**  
**Alpena Senior Center - Lunch at the Senior Center**  
**Departing at 9:30 a.m.**  
**Approximate arrival in Grayling 4:00 p.m.**

**Trip #2**  
**Tuesday, August 8, 2006**  
**Victories Casino - Potoskey**  
**Departing the Center at 8:30 a.m.**  
**Approximate arrival in Grayling 4:00 p.m.**

**Trip #3**  
**Thursday, August 17, 2006**  
**"Out to Lunch Gang"**  
**Garlyn Zoological Park**  
**Naubinway in the U.P.**  
**Departing the Center at 10:00 a.m.**  
*Trip organized by the Crawford County Commission on Aging*  
*Contact Louise Mize @ 348-7123 to reserve a seat*  
**\*Special event trips require: (1) a minimum of twenty-two passengers; and (2) that passengers less than 18 years of age be accompanied by a responsible adult.**

To reserve seats or request information concerning special event trips call Richard or Gary @ 348-4101

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# The Bible Speaks

## Can Sin Exalt God?

Paul had reminded the Jews that their faith in Father Abraham, the Law of Moses, and their circumcision did not save them. Their problem was unbelief in God's Word. Now Paul answers two more of their questions to prove their guilt before a Holy God. We all stand guilty before a holy God.

"But if our unrighteousness commend the righteousness of God, what shall we say? Is God unrighteous who taketh vengeance? (I speak as a man)". (Romans 3:5) They were reasoning that their unrighteousness or sin stood in such stark contrast to a Holy God therefore their sin made God's holiness look even better, so how could God judge their sin when it exalted Him? They failed to see the nature of their unrighteousness, sin, evil, or wickedness cannot commend God's righteousness, because it represents everything contrary or opposite to God's person, word, and work. That is the very reason unrighteousness stands condemned under God's wrath in Romans 1:18: "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and

unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness."

Perhaps their false logic can be made clearer by reversing the question: "Is Satan righteous for rebelling and fighting against God, Truth, & holiness? The question is based upon moral relativism and implies a rejection of moral absolutes. Such thinking assumes evil can be made into good and good into evil. Paul answered their question plainly in Romans 3:6: "God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world?" Paul dealt with the same question in Romans 9:13,14: "As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated. What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid." If a sovereign, Holy, righteous God can be questioned about his judgment of His own chosen people, how can he be the eternal judge of the universe?

Now Paul answers their second question in Romans 3:7-8: "For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner? And not rather, (as we be slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say,) Let us do evil, that good may come? whose damnation is just." Such logic would make Satan the person who most glorifies God

because he is the father of lies. (John 8:44). Paul takes their argument to its logical conclusion: "Let us do evil, that good may come?" This is moral relativism as stated today when people say "The end justifies the means." Paul reminds all who think that way, "whose damnation is just." They abide under God's wrath.

Paul reminded them that they had been falsely accusing Paul and other Christians who preached the gospel of Jesus Christ of this same logic: "(as we be slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say)." For 2000 years Christians who preach the gospel of God's pure grace have been falsely accused of teaching, "once saved, always saved, you can live as you please." "Whose damnation is just." Beware of any doctrine which questions God's person, work, or word while exalting human virtues. Any doctrine which disparages God's person to exalt any human is Satanic and evil. Beware of any doctrine which denies man's personal responsibility and accountability for sin before a holy God. Pastor "B"

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## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, July 28 - Lunch - pork riblet on a bun, baked beans, coleslaw, and fresh fruit salad. No Dinner. 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo.

Saturday, July 29 - marathon breakfast, 3 p.m. parade.

Sunday, July 30 - p.m. potluck.

Monday, July 31 - Lunch - oven fried chicken, hot German potato salad, green beans, and mixed fruit. Dinner - baked pork chops, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus, and pears. 10 a.m. aerobics, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. hangman.

Tuesday, Aug. 1 - Lunch - shepherd's pie, zucchini, cauliflower, and grapes. Dinner -

salmon patties with cream sauce, peas and carrots, green beans, and peaches. 9:30 a.m. senior center swap trip to Alpena senior center, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 5 p.m. speaker - Heartland.

Wednesday, Aug. 2 - Lunch - BBQ beef on a bun, coleslaw, corn, and mandarin oranges. Dinner - chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, smothered squash, and cherry crisp. 5:30 p.m. Denholm Chiropractic Bingo.

Thursday, Aug. 3 - Lunch - beef tips and noodles, carrots, Brussels sprouts, and banana. Dinner - lemon pepper chicken, winter blend vegetables, beets, and tropical fruit salad. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. Uno-Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

## Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the following people for their help with replacing the Canoe Racer's Monument in the city park: Tony Warren, who gave me a great deal on the logs; Mike Campbell, Jason Brigham and Bob Trudeau from IMM Inc., for donating the steel; Jay Stephan and Shelley Stone from Legendary Log Homes for log work and chinking; the Kucharek brothers,

Charlie and Chris, for their strong muscles in setting the plaque; Curt Jansen and Dave Jansen for their much appreciated cash donations.

The citizens of Grayling should direct their appreciation to these people. Thank you very much.

Hank Feldhauser and Miller, Can't Hardly Construction Co.

## OBITUARIES

### Charles J. Sells

Feb. 9, 1946 - July 14, 2006

Charles J. "Chuck" Sells, 60, of Diamondale, formerly of Frederic, passed away on July 14, 2006.

Chuck was born on February 9, 1946. He retired from Ryder ALRO Steel Trucking and enjoyed hunting, fishing, and drag racing.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl; stepson, Thomas McKeever; brothers: Duane, Kenneth, and Les; sister, Janet Bush; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Shirley Sells; and son, Todd Sells.

A memorial service will be held on August 19, from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m., at Windsor Estates Club House, Diamondale.

Arrangements made by Chapel in the Pines Funeral Home.

### John H. Howe Jr.

John H. Howe Jr., 61, of Grayling, died on July 24, 2006. Arrangements will be announced at a later date by the Cremation Society of Michigan.

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of July 27 - Aug. 2 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during July 27 - 28 and Aug. 1 - 2.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) Artillery firing, Aug. 1 - 2.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Aug. 1 - 2.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek. Aug. 1 - 2.

Range 12, located south of the main post, bounded on the east by Carrier Rd., and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.). July 31 - Aug. 2.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd., and on the east by Carrier Rd. July 31.

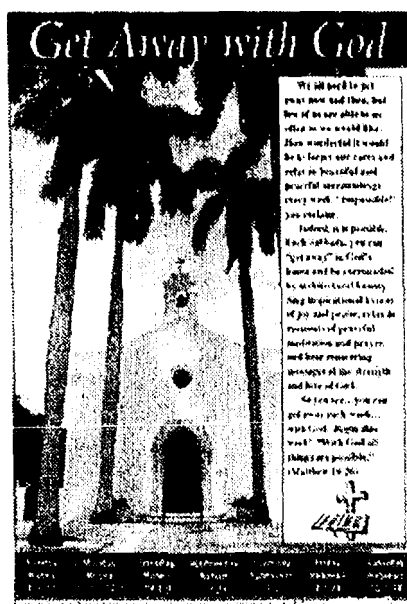
The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. Aug. 1 - 2.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on Aug. 1-2, Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: (989) 348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6320.



### The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day

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Sacrament ..... 10 am  
Sunday School ..... 11 am  
Primary ..... 11 am  
Priesthood ..... 12 noon  
Relief Society ..... 12 noon

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Sunday School ..... 10 am  
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Sunday Evening Service ..... 7 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm  
Wednesday Service ..... 7 pm  
Friday Prayer Meeting (van transportation available) ..... 7 pm

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Sunday Holy Eucharist ..... 8:30 & 10:30 am

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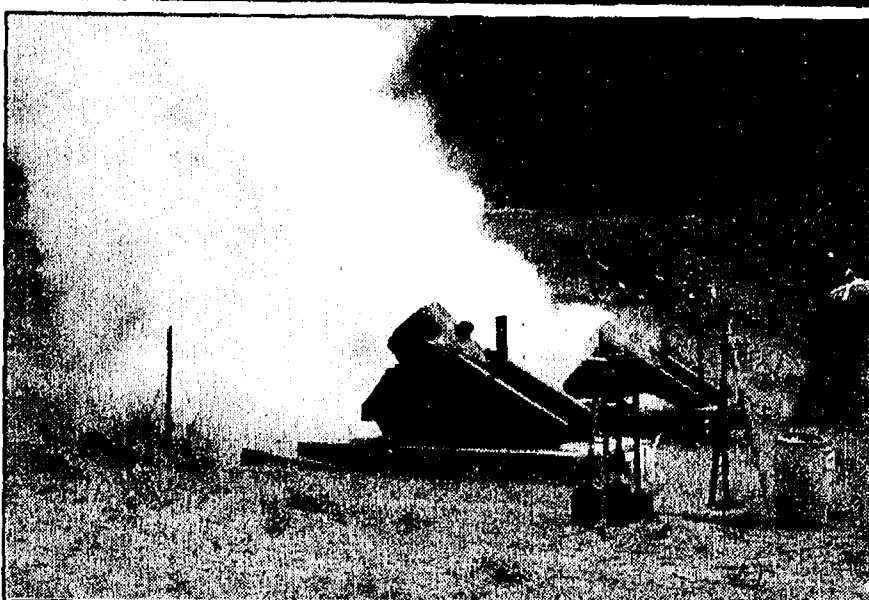
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## Lease agreement for shelter signed

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The Crawford County Road Commission Board in January extended the lease for the current animal shelter through 2007, but have future plans for the use of the property.

The lease requires the Animal Shelter of Crawford County Board to hand over a year's worth of bond payments, estimated to be \$17,000, to the county. The funds will be invested and interest earned will be used to make the final bond payments.

The lease also allows the shelter to board pets from clients of domestic violence shelters, people who have lost their home to a fire or other natural disaster,

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The county will advertise for bids for construction of the new 3,700 square foot shelter, which will be located in the northwest corner near Old 27 and M-93, in the coming weeks.

"It's been a long wait and a lot of work, but we're about

ready to break ground on a wonderful, new shelter facility," said Cheryl Ruley, secretary/treasurer for the Animal Shelter of Crawford County Board. "Hopefully, it will serve the community for many, many years to come."

The community is also encouraged to help fund the "Give Me Shelter" challenge grant, which was prompted by an anonymous donor who has pledged \$10,000 to shelter if \$10,000 can be raised by shelter volunteers by the end of the year.

"The more they give to it, the smaller that mortgage payment is going to be and we can concentrate our donations on running the shelter," Ruley said.

## Uptown Live scores nearly \$1,200 for skate park

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Towards the end of the event, there was an auction for gift certificates to local businesses. Item included everything from swim parties at local hotels to meals at Grayling restaurants.

"The auction itself brought us over \$350," said Moore.

Live entertainment at the event included performances from local bands, including Penny

Podjaske and Gypsy North, Trojan Whorse, Jake Allen and the Grey Link Review and Of The Shire.

Local dance teams also performed between the bands' sets. There was also a dunk tank, wherein local school staff and law enforcement officials found themselves thoroughly soaked.

The event was rounded out with face painting and a variety

of games for kids.

According to Moore, the surprise hit of the night was a kids' obstacle course, which required kids to navigate jump ropes and a path made of tires.

If the enthusiastic response to this high energy activity is any indication, a skate park might be exactly what Crawford County youth need.



A kid throws a ball at a dunk tank holding Grayling High School Principal Doniel Pummell. Pummell didn't seem to mind getting dunked for charity.

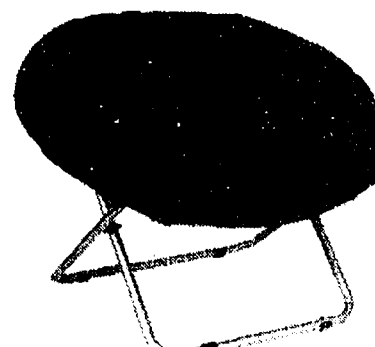
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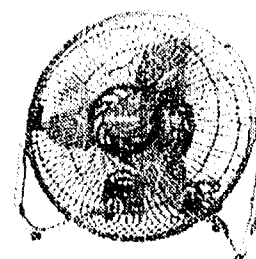
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## Kids Rule



This year's AuSable River Festival kicked off with Kids Day on Tuesday. The event featured a variety of activities, including the sack race pictured here. Also featured at the event was a blow up bouncing chamber, bubble wands, face painting, food and enough games to keep the kids entertained for hours. For adults, this event marks the first activity in a week of fun, culminating in the thrill of the Canoe Marathon.

## 2006 AuSable River Festival events schedule

The 2006 AuSable River Festival continues through Sunday, July 30. Events that will be held from Wednesday, July 26 through Sunday, July 30 are:

**Wednesday, July 26** - HUP Race (Hurry up & Paddle or Sink Race), 6 p.m., at the Grayling City Park. The challenge: build a canoe using a kit of plywood, nails, duct tape and 2 x 4's. Will your canoe be sturdy enough to stay afloat for the entire race course? Will you win the 1st place trophy or receive the "Sinker Award".

**Thursday, July 27** - Community Coffee Break, 8 a.m. - 11 a.m., at Citizens Bank.

Library Friends Book Sale, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., at Devereaux Memorial Library.

Business Relay Races, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m., from Penrod's to Ray's Canoe Livery.

**Friday, July 28** - The Casey Challenge - Borchers Annual U-18 Canoe Race, 10 a.m., for youth 12 - 17 years, at Borchers' Canoe Livery.

Grayling Eagles Pre-Marathon Dinner and Entertainment, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m., at Grayling Eagles Club. Public welcome.

**Friday, July 28 and Saturday, July 29** - 31st Annual AuSable River Fine Arts & Craft Show, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturday, at Grayling City Park. Over 100 crafters will be displaying their craft items.

Annual "Quilt Sitters" Quilt Show, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday, at The Icehouse Quilt Shop, featuring quality quilts, needlework and gifts. Free admission.

Library Friends Book Sale, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Friday and

Saturday, at Devereaux Memorial Library.

**Saturday, July 29** - 27th Annual Grayling Recreational Authority 10k & 1 Mile Fun Run, 9 a.m. Start and finish at the Grayling High School football stadium.

Marathon Breakfast, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everybody welcome. \$5 per person at the Crawford County Commission on Aging.

Classic Car Show on Michigan Avenue, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Over 100 classic vehicles participate in this motor enthusiast event.

Food Court, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., on Michigan Avenue. Enjoy a wide variety of food and entertainment.

Horseshoe Tournament, 10 a.m. at the Grayling Eagles Hall.

13th Annual Ox & Pork Roast, noon to 6 p.m., at the Grayling Eagles Hall.

11th Annual Rotary Chicken BBQ, noon - 6 p.m., at the American Legion Hall.

Ice Cream Social, noon - 4

p.m., at United Methodist Church.

AuSable River Festival Parade, starts at 3 p.m. on Michigan Ave.

AuSable River Canoe Parade, starts at 4:30 p.m. Decorated canoes from Ray's to Penrod's parade down the river to be judged by the crowd. Prizes awarded.

AuSable River Challenge Race, 6 p.m., from Ray's to Burton's Landing

59th Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon Race, Leman's style start at 9 p.m.

Free Balloon Rides offered by RE/MAX of Grayling, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m., at the Grayling City Park. Balloon will be tethered. Free prizes for the children.

Street Dance, 9:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., on Michigan Avenue.

**Sunday, July 30** - 8 a.m., shotgun start of the Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour, 11 hours after the racing canoes are on the river, paddlers depart for Oscoda to catch the paddlers.

## Amazing Race classes slated for new GHS students

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Over 50 freshman have been invited to get a jump start on their academics at Grayling High School during a special program next month.

The students, who will be coming into high school this year have been invited to get a leg up on high school life through a program call "The Amazing Race."

The program will be run Aug. 13-17 and Aug. 21-24.

Students will be involved in adventures in reading, writing and math during the program to polish their skills for the upcoming

school year. "Pit Stop" sessions will also be held, where students will learn about what takes place in the high school.

Angie Golnick, an english and mathematics instructor, Michelle Compo, a spanish and english teacher, and Darrin Hawes, a social studies teacher, will teach the Amazing Race classes.

A total of 55 students, who have been identified by staff at the Grayling Middle School, were urged to attend the Amazing Race sessions.

"Instead of students coming in, failing and dropping out, we wanted to create that connection

with the teachers and give the students some academic assistance to start the school year in a positive sense," Crawford AuSable Schools Superintendent Joe Powers said.

The Amazing Race classes are being funded through federal school readiness funding from the Michigan Department of Education. It will cost the district about \$1,100 to run the program.

The students will be urged to attend all eight days of the classes. They are required to arrange for their own transportation to and from the school.

"We can't make the kids attend, but we hope that they take advantage of this opportunity and that it's a positive experience for them," Powers said.

The title of the program is a take off on the CBS reality show "The Amazing Race."

"We tried to make it exciting because we have to recruit these kids so we're trying to do the classes in a non-traditional format," Powers said.

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## Mural contest attracts variety of local talent

by Matt Seager  
 Staff Writer

The AuSable River might just be Grayling's most recognizable characteristic. Last Saturday, four artists each offered up their own interpretation of the AuSable as a part of the Crawford County Historical Museum's mural contest.

At stake was a bag stuffed with literally thousands of dollars worth of gift certificates redeemable at local businesses. The winner gets the loot, plus his or her eight foot wide mural becomes a permanent part of the museum's new AuSable River display.

Probably, because the contest was announced only a short time ago, there were only four entries. That doesn't mean competition wasn't stiff however, with each different piece offering something different.

Take artist Jan Hunt's piece, for example. She submitted an intricate stained glass mural depicting the historical women's record which was set in the 1991 canoe marathon.

"That's my focus...the canoe race and these women in particular," said Hunt.

Hunt sees stained glass as an important art form which sometimes goes unrecognized.

"It's something that should be kept alive and going," said Hunt.

Also appearing in the competition were two paintings. Artist Mary McDonnell submitted an eye catching mural depicting the people enjoying the river. The imagery of people fishing, canoeing and relaxing by the bank is certainly an accurate depiction of Grayling life.

Meanwhile, fellow painter Kate DeVries took a different approach.

"I didn't want to generalize the river into one specific usage," said the artist, who offered up a serene image of the river in a scene untouched by human life. In their later discussions, the event judges would assert that this painting truly depicts the



Although the winning photo submitted by Rob Bonkoski (right) loses much of its effect in black in white, the reproduction clearly shows the detail of the light glistering off the top of the water while, lower in the image, the cascading water shows the power of the AuSable.

power of nature.

The final entry was a photograph by area resident Rob Bonkoski, which captured the river near the city park. Bonkoski, who took four semesters of photography at Kirtland, was out to prove that photography can be just as potent as other art forms.

"Nature photography really isn't well represented up here," said Bonkoski.

Bonkoski had to hope that the contest's panel of discerning judges felt the same way. Saturday's contest judges included Scott Rice, who has been the art director at Kirtland since 1996. Rice said he would make his decision based on a variety of criteria.

"I like to look for something that I haven't seen before," said Rice.

He added that he was also looking for technique, basic skill level and how well the piece actually stands out.

Joining Rice was real life judge Janet Allen, who said she would vote for the mural that best depicts the river itself.

The final member of the judging panel was local attorney Monty Burnmeister, who may have been enjoying the opportunity to test his judging skills

before the upcoming local elections.

With the judges assembled, the difficult task of picking a winner began at about 2 p.m. After about fifteen minutes, they had made their decision.

Third place went to Jan Hunt's stained glass mural.

"It's quite original, very well done," said Rice, who added that the mural was somewhat limited since it focused solely on the canoe race.

Kate DeVries' painted mural took second place.

"It captured the true beauty of the river itself," said Rice.

Rob Bonkoski's photograph took the top prize.

"That's a nice crisp picture with a lot of details and nice color that really captures the AuSable," said Rice.

"I like (how) in the foreground you have the stones and you see the light playing off the water," said Allen.

Bonkoski was thrilled to be the chosen winner.

"It's the first time I ever got first place for anything, so I'm pretty glad about it," said Bonkoski.

Bonkoski's work will now be part of the museum for everyone to enjoy. He says this is a cause



he is happy to support.

"Everything the historical society has done is great," said Bonkoski.

In the meantime, his huge bag of certificates for free stuff is plenty of compensation for his contribution.

"I'm going to definitely be working on some Christmas shopping a little early this year," said Bonkoski.

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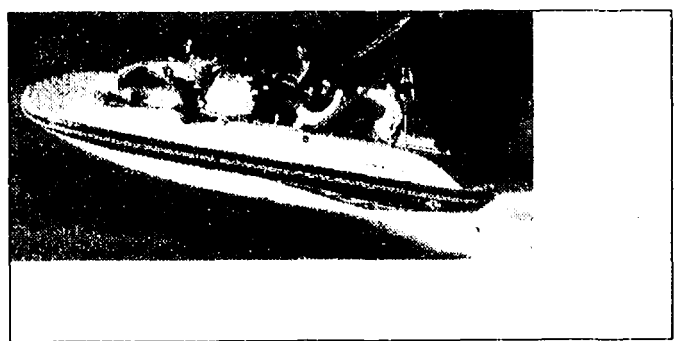
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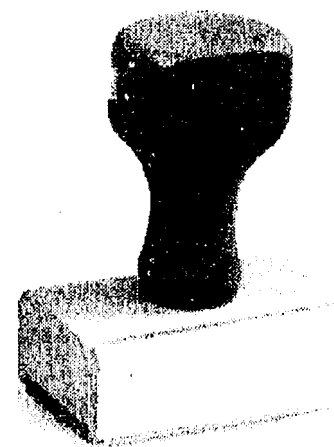
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by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

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Anyone who answers "yes" to at least one of these questions may be interested to hear that there is now a tattoo and piercing shop in Grayling and open for business.

Soulmate Tattoo opened on 1081 I-75 Business Loop (Old 27) near Elmwood Cemetery on Monday. The new business is owned and operated by artist Leslie Trombley.

"I think it's sweet. I'm here on a permanent vacation," said Trombley of working in a small Northern Michigan community.

"I have a feeling I'm going to be doing a lot of buck portraits."

Patrons who are looking to add some permanent artwork to their bodies can take solace in the knowledge that Trombley is about as experienced as they come.

She started doing tattoos in a professional shop at the age of 17 after starting to take jobs for the shop's regular tattoo artist.

"I knew I could do better than the guy was doing," said Trombley.

After a short time, tattoos had become a career. Trombley says she has always had an affinity for the art.

"It's like a natural edge."

Trombley is originally from Ludington and has lived in Grayling for about a month.



Leslie Trombley etches a tattoo onto the forearm of client Wayne Vanpelt. When asked if the tattoo business is still fun after 10 years, Trombley said, "Hell yeah. I love my job."

"I was amazed that there was no local tattoo shop," said Trombley.

Trombley also does ear and body piercing at her shop. She is also considering hosting some local music in the shop at some point in the future. Overall, she is excited to be working in Grayling.

"I'm thinking this is going to be a lot more laid back," said Trombley.

As an artist, she is happy to be in Grayling doing something that

interests her.

"There's not much sense in people slaving to the grind for something they don't enjoy doing," said Trombley.

Fun is always important at a tattoo shop, but safety is a high priority, too. Trombley's shop passed the local health inspection with top marks.

"Everything's hospital (quality) sterilization. It has to be," said Trombley.

Despite having just opened, Trombley has already started

scheduled appointments. She expects that the greatest challenge in running her new business will be meeting all the demand as the only tattoo artist in her shop. She is unwilling to rush a job just to take on more business.

"It's really, I guess, timing," said Trombley. "I don't like to rush someone out. If I lose business, at least I'm doing right."

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# Beware of Bear



This large bear was spotted near where M-93 meets M-72 West in front of Denholm Family Chiropractic on July 17 at 4 p.m. The bear wandered onto the office property and then retreated back into the woods after exploring for a short while. This is the second report of a bear wandering into more populated parts of Grayling that the Avalanche has received this summer.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

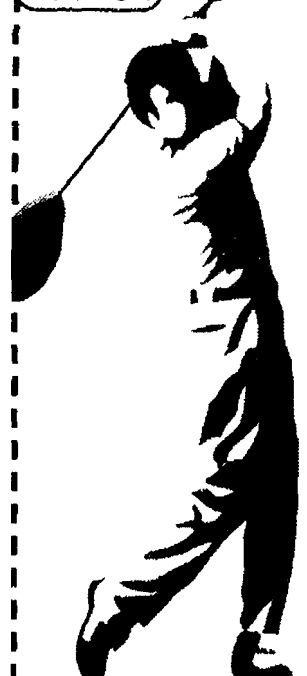
Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 131 complaints the week of July 17 - July 23:

Two EMS responses, one structure fire, one delinquent minors, 10 false alarms, one criminal sexual conduct/sexual assault, four burglaries/home invasions, six larcenies, one fraud, one fraudulent activities, one damage to property, one damage to property-private property, one drug-narcotics violation, one dangerous drugs, 18 public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, two health and safeties, one miscellaneous criminal offense, 13 traffic accidents, one parking violations, one traffic policing, one accident-all other, one motor vehicles-vehicle identification number-school bus, six civil matters/family disputes, 17 suspicious situations, seven hazardous conditions, one suicide, 19 general non-criminal complaints, 10 driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

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## GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson

### Wednesday Ladies League

Our Wednesday Ladies League finally had the "perfect" golf day on July 19. Sunny skies with comfortable temperatures, but because of the terrible storm that came through our area on Monday, many of our golfers were

unable to play.

In Flight A, Treva McClanahan had a low net of 31 while Nancy Glasslee had low putts of 14. In Flight B, Sharon France took it all with a low net of 28 and low putts of 14. In Flight C, Evie Kent also took it all with a low net of 32 and low putts of 13.

The Cornell Insurance mystery hole umbrella was a blind draw and was won by Mickey Perez.

We enjoyed a taco salad buffet, something a little different and good.

On July 5, I left out Rhea Gierke in my article. She has low putts that day of 16. I'm

very sorry about that and have to be a little more diligent in my reporting.

Well, barring any more storms, I hope next week I'll be able to write a little more about our many activities, as more of our group should be back in the swing of things.

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## Red Cross purchases disaster response trailers

If a disaster strikes in Michigan and people are evacuated from their homes, the local Red Cross unit will be able to set up shelter for them in their hour of need.

The local Red Cross service delivery area, which serves 13 Michigan counties, recently purchased three trailers containing emergency shelter supplies.

"We're happy we could get the grant (funds for the trailers) and make our county a prepared place to live," said Dave Gutierrez, coordinator for the local Red Cross service delivery area.

The trailers contain supplies such as cots, blankets, personal hygiene kits, hot and cold food storage, shelter signs, and registration tables.

According to Gutierrez, each trailer has enough equipment and supplies to serve 100 people in a disaster.

Gutierrez said the main purpose of the trailers is to build the local Red Cross' capacity to respond to all kinds of disasters that may happen in a service delivery area.

The Red Cross purchased the three trailers with a \$26,000 grant from the Preparedness Grant Foundation through the National Red Cross Headquarters. Each trailer cost about \$8,500 fully stocked.

Gutierrez said that similar grants are often awarded to service delivery areas with a heavier population, and rural areas are

sometimes overlooked.

Gutierrez said he learned about the grant during the ice storms last winter, when some people in the area were without power for three or four days. Local Red Cross volunteers had to put up two shelters, but did not have enough equipment for them.

At the time of the storms, Gutierrez was in Cincinnati, Ohio, for a meeting at the Red Cross' national headquarters. After receiving several calls from volunteers working with ice storm victims, he ran into one of the people working with Red Cross disaster preparation for Michigan. After Gutierrez mentioned the shortage of supplies for his service delivery area, that person told Gutierrez about the grant.

"Basically, I was in the right place at the right time," Gutierrez said.

Before getting the trailers, Gutierrez said his Red Cross service delivery area would have to borrow equipment from service delivery areas based in Flint or Kalamazoo, which meant a three or four-hour trip to get the equipment before a shelter could be set up.

Now that the local Red Cross has the trailers, it will take less time for volunteers to get a shelter up and running.

"We should be able to open a shelter within an hour," Gutierrez said.

Gutierrez said the biggest advantage to having the trailers



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in the service delivery area is that local volunteers will no longer have to rely on other Red Cross units for assistance.

Gutierrez said that last year, the local Red Cross unit set up four emergency shelters within its district. He added the last shelter served about 30 people.

"Many of our counties in Michigan are unique in the fact that if people are evacuated from their house, nine times out of 10 they go to friends or family" he said.

He added that while many people can depend on a support network like family, some people have no place to go if they must leave their homes. He also said that sometimes people need a place to go before they can con-

tact friends or family for help.

Gutierrez cited one example from the recent forest fire. A sub-division of senior citizens had to evacuate the area late in the evening, and the local Red Cross unit set up an emergency shelter for them.

"It was important for them to have a place to go to," he said.

Counties in the local Red Cross service delivery area are Alcona, Alpena, Crawford, Iosco, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, Sanilac and Wexford.

For more information about the local Red Cross unit, those interested may contact the West Branch Red Cross office toll-free at 1-800-691-6059.

## LIBRARY NEWS

The library is one of the first entries in the AuSable River Festival Parade, so you can be in the parade and see the parade. The library staff will be in cos-

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The High Society Wise Guys, a popular local rock band, performed for the continuing Summer Music Series on the Citizen's Bank lawn last Thursday. Two more shows remain, including Catch and Release on August 3 and Loose Strings on August 17.

## Camp Grayling Training Area announces modernization projects

It has long been an Army concept to "Train as you fight". In light of current Army operations requiring establishment of Forward Operating Bases (FOBs), Camp Grayling has started the modernization of two training areas, one in north camp and the other in south camp into Forward Operating Bases.

Both FOBs are based on the actual FOB layouts being used in current theaters of operation including Iraq, Afghanistan, Bosnia and Kosovo. The north camp FOB is transitioning the Jones Lake Base Camp into a FOB configuration, with minimal changes. Most of the required assets were already in place and just required a reconfiguration of assets. North camp

FOB will be utilized by up to two companies, or about 200 soldiers.

The south camp FOB next to Howe Road near Engineer Valley has required stump removal and some excavating. South camp FOB is one mile long and (1/2) mile wide and is designed for use by 1,500 soldiers.

Both FOBs will be first used by the Michigan Army National Guard starting July 29 through Aug. 10.

Engineers in Iraq provided the initial layout plans for development and modernization of these FOBs and soldiers returning from tours in Iraq have verified that the FOBs do meet the criteria developed by the Army.

Training in these FOB areas will provide units a "real world" experience and it is the intent of these training areas to better prepare soldiers to train as they may fight and increase their opportunities for success on the battlefield and their safe return. The experience of entering one of these FOBs with the same layout as a FOB in the Army theater of operation is a valuable training opportunity.

With this Army training concept, the Camp Grayling Post Commander, Colonel Dean W. Brown feels the development of these training areas could impact future training, and potentially attract more military users of the installation and increase economic impact in the community.

## C-130 aircraft conduct training at Grayling Army Air Field

The Michigan Air National Guard's 171st Air Lift Squadron, based out of Michigan's Selfridge Air National Base, conducted training at Grayling Army Air Field. The training consisted of C-130 Hercules aircraft conducting short runway landings and take-offs, two flights per night on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 25 - 26 with a back-up of Thursday, July 27, 2006 during the hours of 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

They will also conduct the same training on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 1 - 2 with a back-up day of Thursday, August

3, 2006. This training is in preparation for the squadron's deployment to Afghanistan where they will be executing like missions in support of operations there.

Currently, 1,400 Michigan National Guard Soldiers and Airmen are serving on active duty. Since Sept. 11, 2001 more than 75% of the Michigan Army and Air National Guard has been deployed across the nation and across the globe in support of the

global war on terrorism. Locations include Afghanistan, Bosnia, Guantanamo Bay, Honduras, Iraq, Kosovo, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Qatar, New York, Washington D.C. and various locations across Michigan. Today, more than 80 percent of the Michigan Guard stands trained, ready and available to serve the state of Michigan during a natural or man-made disaster, including a terrorism event.

## Lego Robotics Club begins in August

Registration has begun for Crawford County MSU Extension's 4-H Lego Robotics Club. This program is offered to youth who are entering fifth grade and above. The club will meet on Friday's from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the basement of the courthouse, beginning on Aug. 4. They are also in need of older teens helpers as well as adult volunteers.

Lego Mindstorm Robotics and 4-H Youth Development have developed activities that will teach you how to build and program a robot; apply knowledge of mathematics, science and technology to solve robotic engineering problems; and analyze and interpret data. For information about this project or to register for the program, contact the MSU Extension office at 989-344-3266.

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## Local boy scouts go to camp, win awards

Boy Scout Troop 979 recently went for their week-long summer camp. This year they attended Camp Rotary, which is located just North of Clare.

The scouts all had a good time and earned a total of 36 merit badges on a variety of subjects from fingerprinting, climbing, cooking, lifesaving and space exploration.

The troop also met the requirements to receive the golf award of excellence. To earn the gold award, the troop had to meet on time to all camp activities, complete a service project and do several campsite improvements, among other things.

Special awards earned by Troop 979 scouts included lowest score for golf merit badge to Brent Steffey, largest fish caught by Adam Wargo, mile swim to Tyler Steffey and Matt Hilbrecht and perfect score at the rifle range to Nick Steffey.

During the week the troop weathered three thunderstorms, including a hail storm.

Attending for Troop 979 was Senior Patrol Leader Tyler

Steffey, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader Joe Somero, Patrol Leader Adam Wargo, David Somero, Sean Coe, Derrick Smith, Matt Hilbrecht, Kevin Harris, Brent Steffey, Junior Assistant Scoutmaster Nick Steffey, Assistant Scoutmasters Bob Lan and Jeff Steffey and Scoutmaster Loren Goodale.

Any boy between the ages 11 and 18 is welcome to join the troop; call 348-8682 for more information.

Another Grayling scouting outfit, Troop 995, recently spent a week of summer camp at Paul Bunyan Scout Reservation near Rose City. This gave the boys a unique chance to work on merit badges and rank advances and

enjoy what the outdoors offers.

The troop received the Honor Troop award and the Raccoon patrol received the Honor Scout Patrol award. Both of these awards have requirements that must be fulfilled on a daily basis.

Members of the troop also received the Muzzle Loading Bottle Blast First Place trophy. Three scouts participated in this event, which required shooting a paper target with a pop bottle filled with water behind it. Two of the scouts had never fired a muzzleloader before, but they nailed the bull's eye. One of the adults, Norm Poll, also earned a shooting award.

Two scouts, Josh Aimesbury and Tom Pilon, earned the Mile

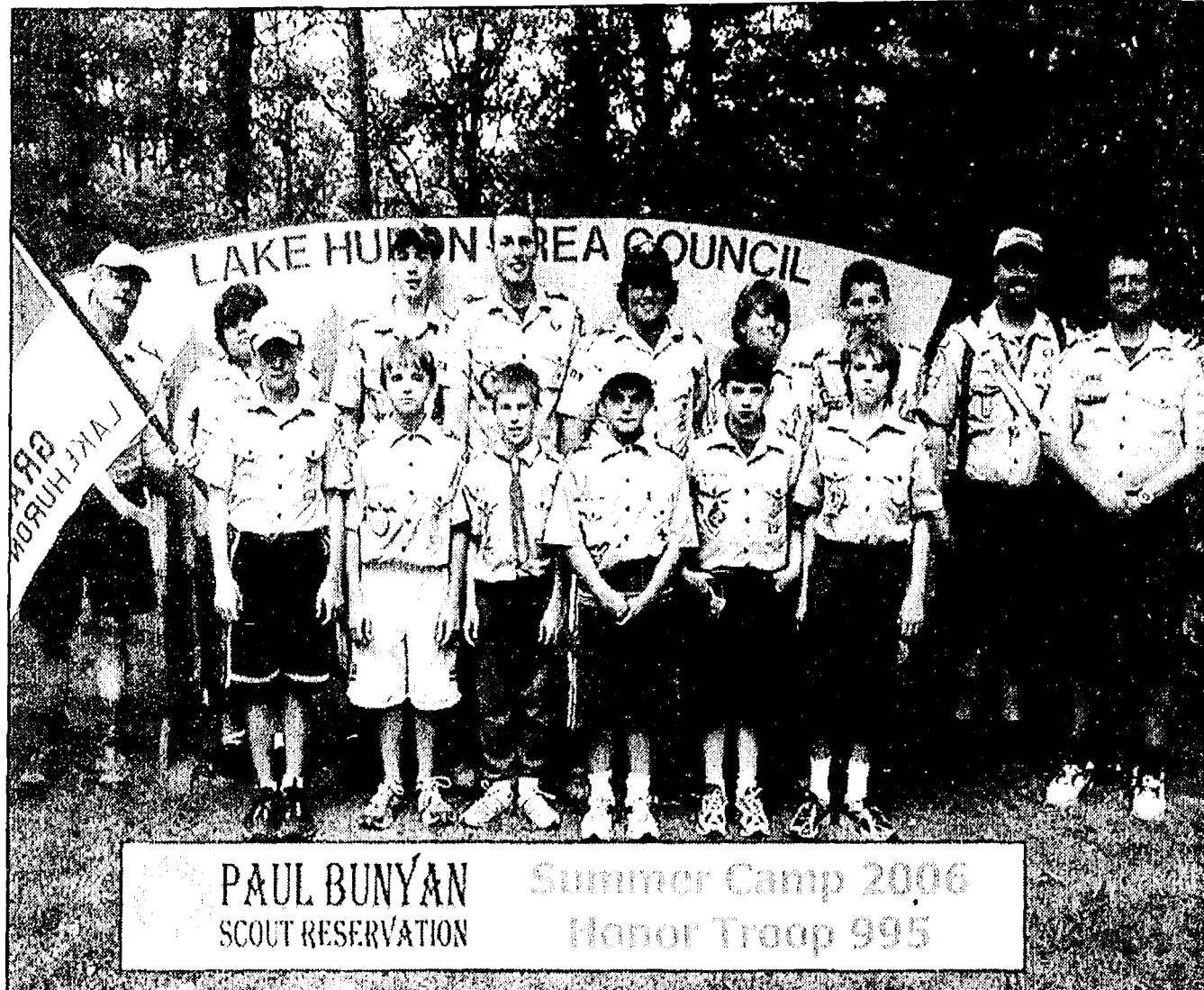
Swim award.

"This is quite a feat to accomplish and I am proud that the boys finished the mile," said Scoutmaster Jim Pickell.

During the week, a visitor from A.R.K. Birds of Prey brought in a barn owl and a red tailed hawk for presentation. Both scouts and adults took interest in being able to see the animals.

Despite some harsh weather and wake up calls from nearby coyotes, the week-long camp out was a success.

Boys interested in joining Troop 995 may call Scoutmaster Jim Pickell at 348-2870 or Chartered Representative Dave Shriver at 348-0605.



Local Boy Scout Troop 995 (pictured) earned plenty of awards at their recent camp outing. Front row, from left: Corey Kiessel, Scott Wejrowski, Robert Thiel, Aaron Kiessel, Logan Woodley and CJ Bertram. Back row: Assistant Scoutmaster Norm Poll, Jon Deffendall, Alex Millar, Tom Pilon, Dylan Nye, Josh Aimesbury, Matt Dunkel, Scoutmaster Jim Pickell and Assistant Scoutmaster Scott Grougan. Troop 979 had similar success at their camp out.



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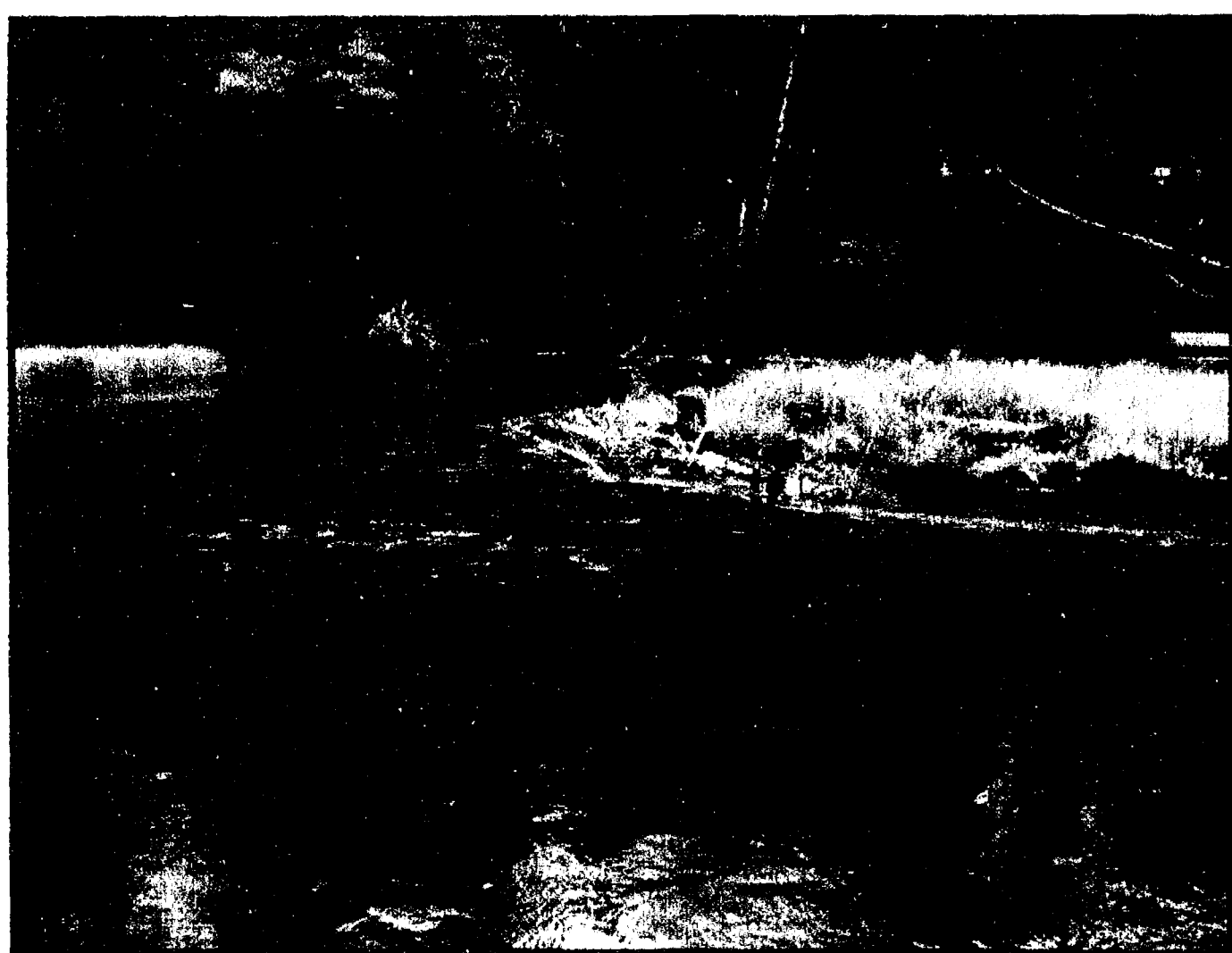
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Building upon the success of the project thus far, additional stormwater runoff control practices will be installed in 2007. Anyone with questions about this project may call the Huron Pines office at 989-344-0753 or visit [www.huronpines.org](http://www.huronpines.org).



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Mo Harwood and Steve Lajoie pass Stephan Bridge on the way to the finish line. Harwood and Lajoie finished in 2nd place.



Ryan Halstead and Rod Halstead reach the finish line at McMasters Bridge on Sunday. The Halsteads placed 3rd.

## Rimer, Triebold win Spike's Challenge race by slim margin

Harwood, Lajoie finish two seconds behind the winners

### Record number of teams enter Spike's Challenge C-2 race this year

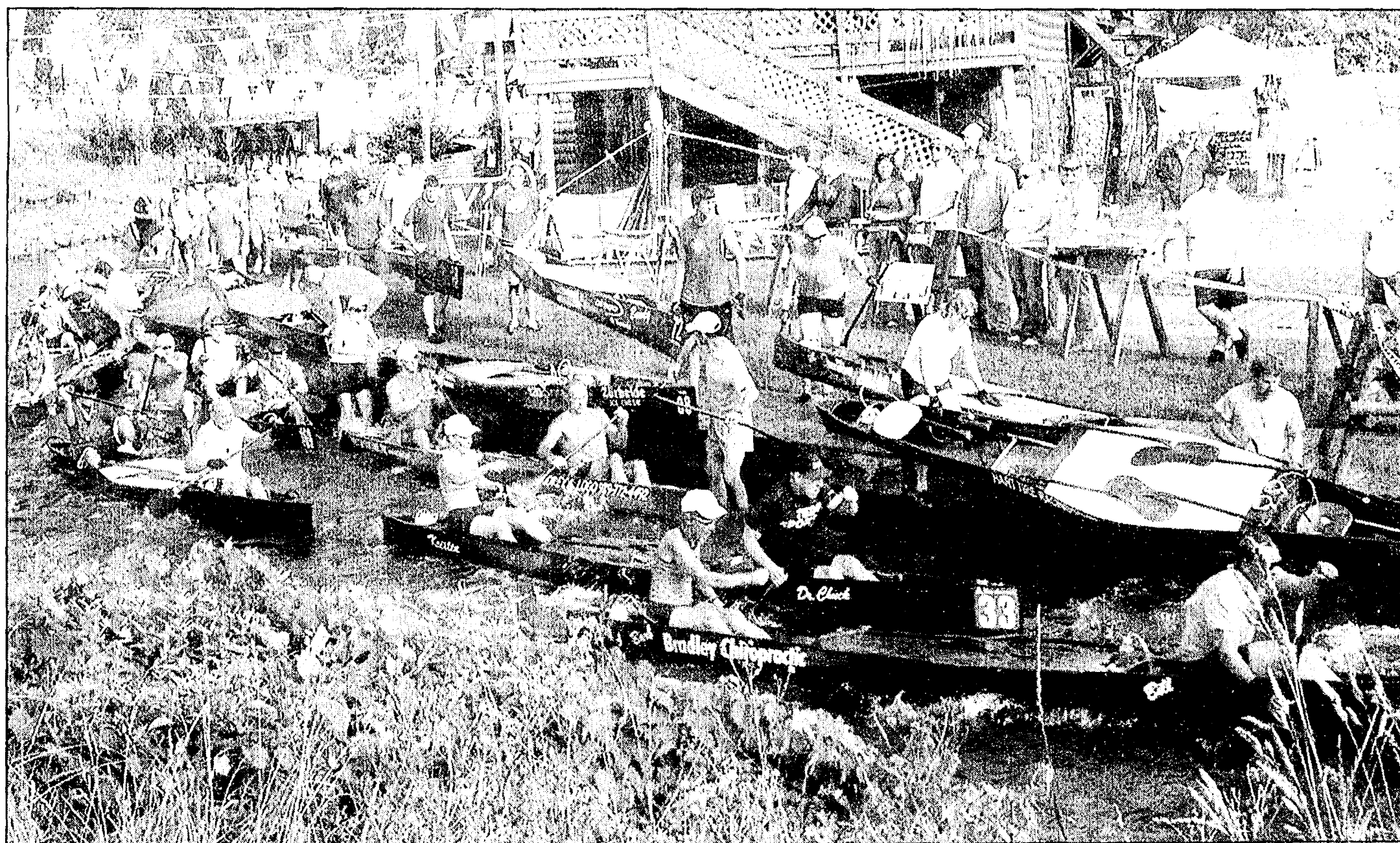
A record number of teams entered the 2006 Spike's Challenge C-2 race held on Sunday, July 23. Sixty-five teams entered the race, 62 of the teams finished, and when it was all said and done the margin of victory for the winning team was two seconds.

The race begins with the run to the river at Ray's Canoe Livery and ends at McMasters Bridge – the fourth AuSable River Canoe Marathon timing checkpoint. The Spike's Challenge race course features the upper section of the AuSable River, giving paddlers a daylight glimpse at what they can expect in the upcoming 120-mile Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon to be held Saturday, July 29.

Andy Triebold of Spring Arbor and Matt Rimer of Grayling won this year's Spike's Challenge C-2 race with a time of 2:38:46. Finishing second was the team of Mo Harwood of Grayling and Steve Lajoie of

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See "RIMER, TRIEBOLD..."



Photos by Caleb Casey

Paddling teams pile into the AuSable River at Ray's Canoe Livery for the start of the 2006 Spike's Challenge C-2 race on Sunday, July 23. A record 65 teams entered this year's Spike's Challenge.



Josh Sheldon and Brad Gross paddle past Burton's Landing on Sunday. Sheldon and Gross placed 5th.



Al Limberg and Jim Harwood finish Sunday's Spike's Challenge C-2 race. Limberg and Harwood took 4th place.



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Ted Smutek and Colin Hunter, who finished 14th on Sunday, paddle past Burton's Landing.



Pete Mead and Mitch McMillan reach the finish line at McMasters. Mead and McMillan placed 6th.

# Rimer, Triebold win Spike's Challenge race by slim margin

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Mirabel, Quebec with a time of 2:38:48.

Early on Ryan and Rod Halstead of Grayling led the race, closely followed by Triebold and Rimer and Harwood and Lajoie. The top three teams were no more than 10 seconds apart through three timing locations. In the end Triebold and Rimer edged out Harwood and Lajoie in a sprint to the finish line at McMasters Bridge.

Ryan and Rod Halstead finished third with a time of 2:42:05. Placing fourth was the team of Jim Harwood of Grayling and Al Limberg of Wausau, Wisconsin with a time of 2:44:29.

Rounding out the top 10 were: 5th place - Brad Gross (Pinconning) and Josh Sheldon (Grayling); 6th place - Pete Mead (Traverse City) and Mitch McMillan (Clare); 7th place - Tad Hill (Livonia) and Efrain Cruz (Belize City, Belize); 8th place - Josh Taylor (Grayling) and Jason Hall (Crystal); 9th place - Russ Reker (Lapeer) and Al Widing, Jr. (Fenton); 10th place - Ray Trudgeon (East Lansing) and Tom Trudgeon

(Grayling).

Tom Cannon and Matt Streib placed 11th, Rick Joy and Bill Torongo took 12th, Jim Larsen and Joe Johnson finished 13th, Ted Smutek and Colin Hunter

were 14th, and Matt Meersman and Sean Casey placed 15th. Ben Hugus and Bruce Barton (16th), Todd VanDeven and Nick Walton (17th), Kate Ellis and Todd Ellison (18th), Mike Garon and

Tim Chapple (19th), and Wade Binion and Armin Lopez (20th) rounded out the top 20.

For a complete list of Spike's Challenge C-2 race results, see Page 3B.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Jason Hall and Josh Taylor (8th place) pass Burton's Landing.



Rick Joy and Bill Torongo (12th place) finish Sunday's race.



Efrain Cruz and Tad Hill (7th place) paddle to the finish line.



Russ Reker and Al Widing Jr. (9th place) paddle past Burton's Landing.



Matt Meersman and Sean Casey (15th place) approach the finish line.



Ray Trudgeon and Tom Trudgeon (10th) finish at McMasters.

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# Spike's Challenge C-2 Race Results


## C-2 Expert Class

Place	Canoe #	Name	Name	Finish
01	1	Matt Rimer	Andy Triebold	2:38:46
02	3	Mo Harwood	Steve Lajoie	2:38:48
03	87	Ryan Halstead	Rod Halstead	2:42:05
04	2	Jim Harwood	Al Limberg	2:44:29
05	126	Brad Gross	Josh Sheldon	2:47:23
06	120	Pete Mead	Mitch McMillan	2:47:40
07	12	Tad Hill	Elrain Cruz	2:49:13
08	143	Josh Taylor	Jason Hall	2:49:50
09	35	Russ Reker	Al Widing Jr.	2:50:17
10	49	Ray Trudgeon	Tom Trudgeon	2:50:21
11	25	Tom Cannon	Matt Streib	2:50:34
12	14	Rick Joy	Bill Torongo	2:51:14
13	134	Jim Larsen	Joe Johnson	2:51:22
14	22	Ted Smutek	Colin Hunter	2:52:13
15	163	Matt Meersman	Sean Casey	2:53:26
16	4	Ben Hugus	Bruce Barton	2:55:00
17	156	Todd VanDeven	Nick Walton	2:55:54
18	37	Kate Ellis	Todd Ellison	2:57:11
19	36	Mike Garon	Tim Chapple	2:58:38
20	75	Wade Binion	Armin Lopez	2:58:42
21	90	Spenser Derenzy	Bob Smith	2:59:13
22	123	Tony Short	Amy Solak	2:59:54
23	40	Fred Mills	Joe Seifert	3:00:27
24	38	Wes Triebold	Tim Triebold	3:01:40
25	108	Fritz Hansen	Mark Koerig	3:02:24
26	42	Jon Thompson	Brian Royce	3:04:01
27	89	Steve McAleer	Peter Heed	3:04:31
28	29	Del Cummings	Vicki Cummings	3:04:42
29	101	Tim McClure	Ryan McClure	3:05:03
30	112	Ted Matthews	Rodney Matthews	3:05:51
31	8	Brad Taggett	Beth Schlutter	3:06:02
32	9	Al Widing	Bob Bradford	3:06:04

33	88	Barb Bradley	Bill Brundage	3:06:07
34	17	Jim Bauer	Alison Scott	3:06:28
35	54	Connie Cannon	Lynne Witte	3:07:21
36	26	Joe Pollock	Brad Wilson	3:08:19
37	58	Jon Webb	Sarah Webb	3:11:42
38	31	Chad Brandt	Mike Thomson	3:11:53
39	72	Alex Donaldson	David Lawe	3:12:38
40	33	Dr.Chuck Baxter	Kristen Stewart	3:13:48
41	89	Carrie Montgomery	Mandy Streib	3:14:27
42	94	Frank Smutek	Bill Smutek	3:14:57
43	169	Rick Sika	Tyler Sika	3:15:58
44	45	Karen Levitt	Jeff DeFeo	3:16:48
45	44	Dwight Walker	Ed Lazar	3:17:16
46	153	Chris Scully	Doc Mangutz	3:17:28
47	128	Jason Hatfield	Martin Ecker	3:19:31
48	96	Tom Warner	Tricia Heed	3:21:57
49	LL	Steve Seager	Jason Snell	3:23:47
50	P39	John Alsop	Janice Stuver	3:27:06
51	107	Grant Tally	Garth Greenan	3:31:01
52	M	Kevin Murphy	James Walker	3:47:06
53	73	Greg Nelson	Nate Winkler	Drop
54	70	PC Randolph	PC Randolph	Drop

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01	L	Mark Hugus	John Hugus	3:10:03
02	46	Ben Lucey	John Lucey	3:16:27
03	61	Chuck Hewitt	Chris Hewitt	3:18:50
04	47	Cheryl Lucey	Ellen Thompson	3:22:29
05	93	Adam Kolka	Stephan Brown	3:27:34
06	X	Brian Barkholz	Joe Kimmerer	3:31:12
07	103	Brian Jacobs	Bill Grigsby	3:34:13
08	T	Ron Trojaneck	Dustin Pizzi	3:50:44
09	99	Rejean Huard	Austin Weiler	3:52:16
10	0	Marcia Rimer	Janet Bradford	3:53:26
11	48	Ray Quick	Ray Quick	Drop



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## Rimer, Triebold win Spike's Challenge race by slim margin



Tom Cannon and Matt Streib (11th place) reach the finish line at McMasters Bridge during the 2006 Spike's Challenge.



Jim Larsen and Joe Johnson (13th place) pass Wakeley Bridge on Sunday.



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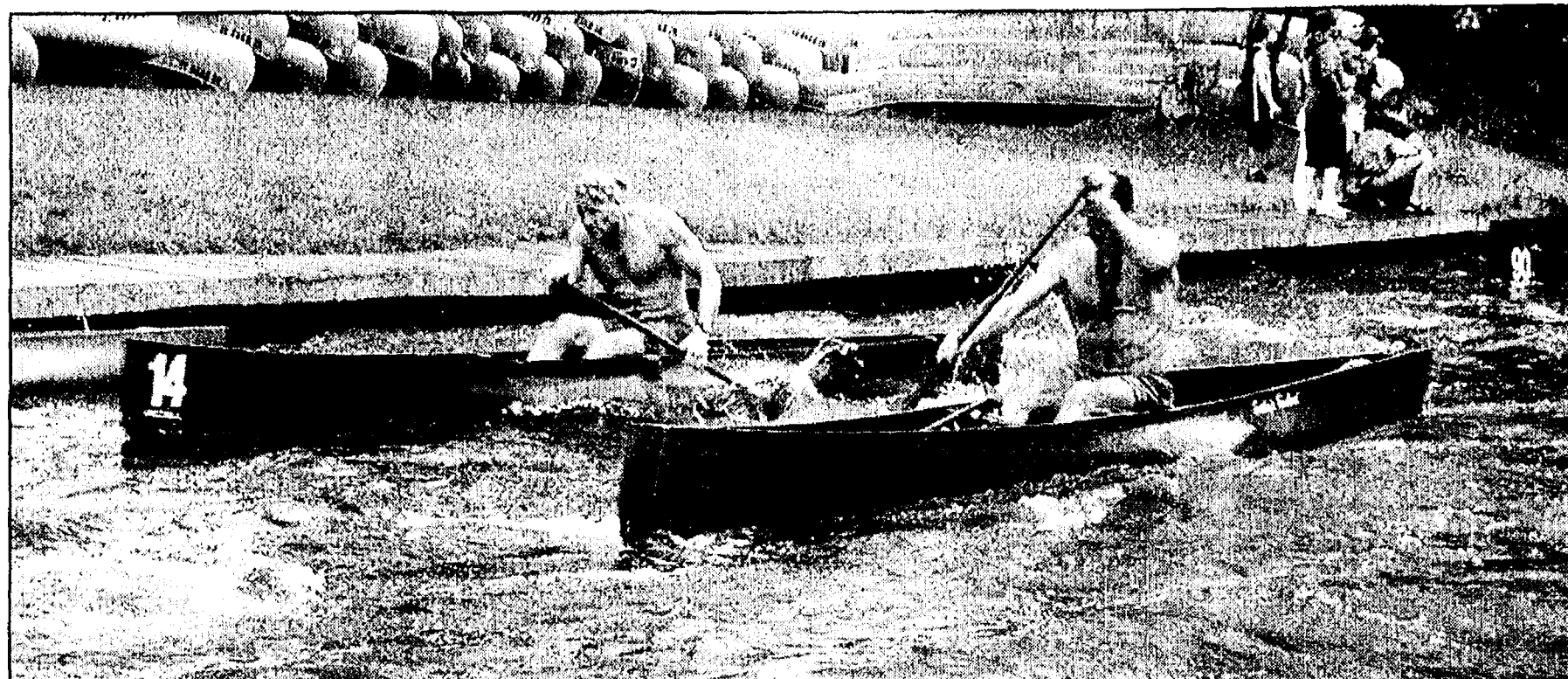
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Bill Torongo and Al Limberg paddle in the Spike's Challenge C-1 race on Saturday, July 22. Torongo finished 1st and Limberg took 2nd.

## Torongo wins Spike's Challenge C-1 race

### Forty paddlers compete in annual race from Borchers to Burton's Landing

Bill Torongo won Saturday's Spike's Challenge C-1 race, edging second place finisher Al Limberg by two seconds.

The annual C-1 race, which runs from Borchers AuSable Canoeing to Burton's Landing, featured 40 paddlers in 2006.

Torongo finished first with a time of 0:42:59. Limberg was right behind him at 0:43:01. Russ Reker took third (0:44:24), Tom Trudgeon was fourth (0:44:28), and Matt Rimer placed fifth (0:44:54). Nick Walton (6th), Josh Taylor (7th), Tom Cannon (8th), Matt Meersman (9th), and Brad Taggett (10th) rounded out the top 10.

Connie Cannon won the women's division with a final time of 0:47:22. Beth Schluter was second at 0:49:37 and Lynne Witte took third (0:51:56).

Complete Spike's Challenge C-1 race results are available on this page.



Spike's Challenge C-1 competitors depart from Borchers during the start of the race on Saturday evening.



Spectators watch the paddlers leave from Borchers on Saturday.



Women's division paddlers compete in the Spike's Challenge C-1 event.

## Spike's Challenge C-1 Race Results

Place	Canoe#	Name	Time	Place	Canoe#	Name	Time
01	14	Bill Torongo	0:42:59	22	9	Al Widing Sr.	0:51:18
02	1	Al Limberg	0:43:01	23	x	Martin Spees	0:51:40
03	147	Russ Reker	0:44:24	24	142	Matt Gabriel Jr.	0:52:23
04	62	Tom Trudgeon	0:44:28	25	64	Joe Roman	0:52:28
05	41	Matt Rimer	0:44:54	26	107	Grant Tally	0:52:36
06	156	Nick Walton	0:45:17	27	95	Garth Greenan	0:53:12
07	90	Josh Taylor	0:45:21	28	157	Rick Gillings	0:53:29
08	25	Tom Cannon	0:46:03	29	171	Joe Webb	0:54:18
09	L	Matt Meersman	0:46:18	30	141	Robert Mitchell	0:54:32
10	8	Brad Taggett	0:46:20	31	13	Martin Ecker	0:54:37
11	504	Ray Trudgeon	0:46:26	32	81	George Stockman	0:56:33
12	33	John Hollands	0:46:42	33	42	Carl Joy	0:56:57
13	15	Bill Schmitz	0:47:00	34	165	Jason Thompson	0:57:00
14	0	Bob Bradford	0:47:10	34	165	Tom Hammond	1:04:21
15	N1	John Alsop	0:48:18	<b>Women's Division</b>			
16	27	Dwight Walker	0:48:43	01	10	Connie Cannon	0:47:22
17	135	Dave Lawe	0:48:54	02	11	Beth Schluter	0:49:37
18	131	Chris Scully	0:50:12	03	54	Lynne Witte	0:51:56
19	73	Greg Nolson	0:50:33	04	M	Sarah Webb	0:53:34
20	19	Ralph Scofield	0:51:05	05	2	Gwen Seifert	0:57:17
				06	47	Cheryl Lucy	1:01:31



# Spectator Guide 2006

## 59th Weyerhaeuser

# AuSable River Canoe Marathon

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THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2006

## Sixty-six teams to start this year's AuSable Marathon

One of the largest starting fields in the event's 59-year history will depart from Ray's Canoe Livery in front of thousands of spectators on Saturday, July 29, for the start of the 2006 Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon – a 120-mile race from Grayling to Oscoda that serves as the second leg of the Triple Crown of Canoe Racing.

This year's group of entrants includes 132 total racers, with about 28 paddlers competing in their first AuSable Marathon and close to 20 paddlers with at least 10 AuSable Marathons to their credit. Competitors with 10 or more AuSable Marathons include: Bruce Barton (10), Ken Kolonich (20), Steve Kolonich (15), Bill Torongo (22), Rick Joy (30), Al Widing Sr. (34), Robert Bradford (16), Jon Webb (12), Fred Mills (11), Joe Seifert (11), Jim Harwood (20), Ray Quick Jr. (13), Michael Garon (11), Ted Kolka (15), Mo Harwood (10), Frank Taber (16), Lynne Witte (26), and Colin Hunter (10).

The duo with the most combined AuSable Marathons registered in this year's race is

Torongo, 44, and Joy, 47, with 52. Widing, 81, and Bradford, 63, have 50 AuSable Marathons to their credit and are the oldest paddling team in this year's race with a combined 144 years.

The youngest teams signed up for the 2006 AuSable Marathon are Alex Donaldson, 18, and Dave Lawe, 15, with 33 combined years, and Rodney Halstead, 21, and Ryan Halstead, 19, with 40 combined years.

This year's field includes two women's teams – Lynne Witte/Connie Cannon and Ellen Thompson/Cheryl Lucey – and 11 mixed teams.

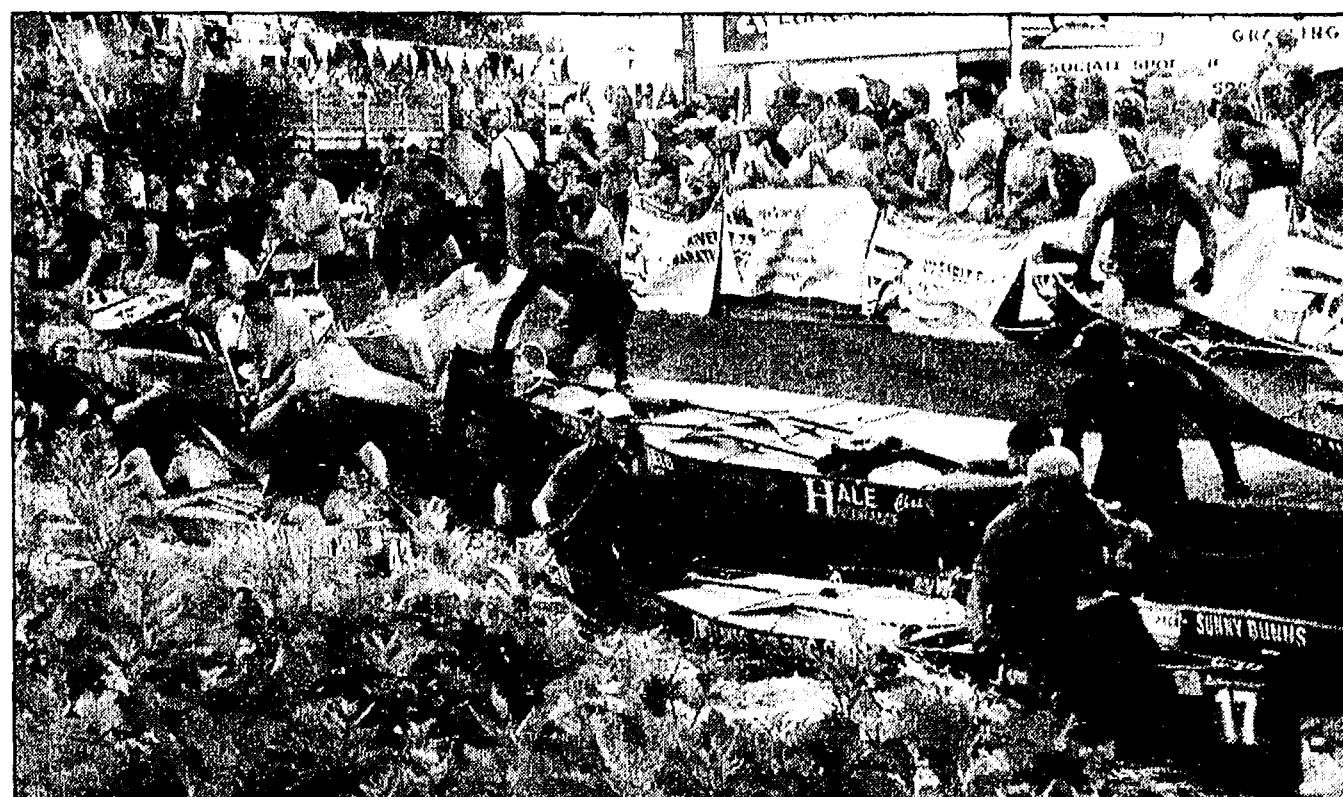
A few of the teams expected to make a run at the top finish times for this year's AuSable River Canoe Marathon, based on results of other recent canoe races, include:

Matthew Rimer, 22, of Horton, and Andrew Triebold, 29, of Spring Arbor – Rimer and Triebold placed second in last year's AuSable Marathon to Serge Corbin and Jeff Kolka, a team that has won nine of the last 10 AuSable Marathons. Kolka and Corbin are not racing in the

2006 AuSable Marathon due to injuries. Triebold and Rimer won the first leg of the 2006 Triple Crown of Canoe Racing event – New York's General Clinton Canoe Regatta (GCCR) – and they won the 2006 Curley Memorial Canoe Race in Oscoda. Triebold and Rimer also won the Spike's Challenge C-2 race in 2005 and 2006. Rimer won the Triple Crown title last year after finishing first in the third leg – La Classique de Canots de la Mauricie – with Patrick Lynch. Triebold won the 2004 AuSable Marathon with Steve Lajoie.

M. Harwood, 27, of Grayling, and Lajoie, 30, of Mirabel, Quebec – Harwood and Lajoie finished 2nd in the 2006 GCCR to Triebold and Rimer. Harwood placed 5th in last year's AuSable Marathon with T. Kolka and Lajoie won the 2004 AuSable Marathon with Triebold. Harwood and Lajoie placed 2nd in the 2006 Spike's Challenge.

J. Harwood, 41, of Grayling, and Allen Limberg, 48, of Wausau, Wisconsin – Harwood and Limberg took 3rd in last year's AuSable Marathon and 4th



Paddling teams enter the river at Ray's for the start of the 2005 Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

in this year's GCCR. They finished 3rd in the 2005 Spike's Challenge C-2 race and 4th in the 2006 Spike's Challenge.

Joy, 47, of Silverwood, and Torongo, 44, of Roscommon – Joy and Torongo took 4th in last year's AuSable Marathon and 4th in last year's Spike's Challenge.

Torongo took 2nd in last year's La Classique with Triebold.

As of Friday, July 21, 66 paddling teams were registered for the 2006 AuSable River Canoe Marathon. The record for most teams to start the AuSable Marathon was set in 2000 with 68.

The 2006 Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon will start at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, at Ray's Canoe Livery. Teams will battle for starting positions at Time Trials on Thursday, July 27 (5-9 p.m.) and Friday, July 28 (2-6 p.m.) at Penrod's.

## 2006 AuSable Marathon Entry List

#	Competitor	Age	City, State/Province	Sprint Time	#	Competitor	Age	City, State/Province	Sprint Time	#	Competitor	Age	City, State/Province	Sprint Time
05	Ben Hugus	15	Wassau, WI	Thursday	83	Ray Bauer	49	Cincinnati, OH	Thursday	136	Mark Noorman	37	Rockford, MI	Friday
05	Bruce Barton	49	Homer, MI	5:00	83	Tom Ackemyer	40	Cincinnati, OH	7:20	136	Samantha Noorman	15	Rockford, MI	2:10
46	John Lucey	42	Grayling, MI	Thursday	85	Gloria Wesley	46	Pittsfield, MA	Thursday	49	Ray Trudgeon	24	East Lansing, MI	Friday
46	Ben Lucey	19	Grayling, MI	5:05	85	Gary Aprea	63	Austerlitz, NY	7:25	49	Tom Trudgeon	47	Grayling, MI	2:15
42	Brian Royce	34	Roscommon, MI	Thursday	63	Matt Meersman	29	South Bend, IN	Thursday	117	Frank Taber	56	Lowell, MI	Friday
42	Jon Thompson	49	Lewiston, MI	5:10	63	Sean Casey	27	Grayling, MI	7:30	117	Frank Bailey	52	Grand Rapids, MI	2:20
76	Josh Sheldon	25	Grayling, MI	Thursday	72	Garth Greenan	51	Traverse City, MI	Thursday	54	Lynne Witte	51	Mt. Clemens, MI	Friday
76	Brad Gross	37	Pinconning, MI	5:15	72	Grant Tally	44	Flat Rock, MI	7:35	54	Connie Cannon	45	E. Lansing, MI	2:40
37	Todd Ellison	45	St. Paul, MN	Thursday	12	Chad Brandt	32	Hale, MI	Thursday	52	Tim Valko	37	Pinckney, MI	Friday
37	Kate Ellis	50	Minneapolis, MN	5:20	12	Mike Thomsen	38	Hale, MI	7:40	52	Guy Rousseau	43	Trois-Rivieres, Quebec	2:45
45	Karen Levitt	38	Northfield, MA	Thursday	96	Patricia Heed	54	Westmoreland, NH	Thursday	44	Dwight Walker	52	Hastings, MI	Friday
45	Jeff DeFeo	51	Chester, MA	5:25	96	Tom Warner	58	Westmoreland, NH	7:45	44	Ed Lazar	49	Grosse Pointe Farms, MI	2:50
23	Ken Kolonich	60	Eaton Rapids, MI	Thursday	29	Del Cummings	48	Meriden, CT	Thursday	43	Ted Matthews	41	East Tawas, MI	Friday
23	Steve Kolonich	34	Eaton Rapids, MI	5:40	29	Vicki Cummings	44	Meriden, CT	7:50	43	Rodney Matthews	51	Oscoda, MI	2:55
13	Jeff Rankinen	42	Jersey Shore, PA	Thursday	89	Steve McAleer	51	Nepean, Ontario	Thursday	26	Joe Pollock	48	Edmore, MI	Friday
13	Todd Roadman	44	Bedford, PA	5:45	89	Peter Heed	56	Westmoreland, NH	7:55	26	Brad Wilson	42	Mt. Pleasant, MI	3:00
14	Bill Torongo	48	Roscommon, MI	Thursday	33	Dr. Chuck Baxter	37	Althol, MA	Thursday	08	Pete Mead	25	Traverse City, MI	Friday
14	Rick Joy	47	Silverwood, MI	5:50	33	Kristen Stewart	42	Westmoreland, NH	8:00	08	Mitch McMillan	31	Clare, MI	3:20
17	Jim Bauer	61	Spokane, WA	Thursday	68	Tyler Sika	19	Traverse City, MI	Thursday	13	Josh Taylor	27	Grayling, MI	Friday
17	Alison Scott	41	Spokane, WA	5:55	68	Rick Sika	43	Traverse City, MI	8:05	13	Jason Hall	28	Crystal, MI	3:25
99	Rejean Huard	64	Shawinigan, Quebec	Thursday	98	Joe Shaw	51	Worthington, MA	Thursday	48	Ray Quick Jr.	51	Millington, MI	Friday
99	Benoit Labrosse	49	Shawinigan, Quebec	6:00	98	Nick Bauer	45	Spokane, WA	8:10	48	Raymond Quick III	18	Millington, MI	3:30
09	Al Widing Sr.	81	Mio, MI	Thursday	75	Wade Binion	27	College Station, TX	Thursday	20	Mark Church	34	Roscommon, MI	Friday
09	Robert Bradford	63	Lapeer, MI	6:05	75	Armin Lopez	33	San Ignacio, Cayo, Belize	8:15	20	Gabe Williams	30	Roscommon, MI	3:35
47	Ellen Thompson	49	Lewiston, MI	Thursday	24	Tod VanDeVen	34	Grayling, MI	Thursday	79	Martin Spees	36	Flint, MI	Friday
47	Cheryl Lucey	44	Grayling, MI	6:10	24	Nick Walton	33	Haslett, MI	8:20	79	Jimmy Spaulding	19	Grand Blanc, MI	3:40
87	Rodney Halstead	21	Grayling, MI	Thursday	61	Chuck Hewitt	47	Bay City, MI	Thursday	32	Jerry Killingbeck	37	East Tawas, MI	Friday
87	Ryan Halstead	19	Grayling, MI	6:20	61	Chris Hewitt	16	Bay City, MI	8:25	32	Joey Kimsel	25	Oscoda, MI	4:00
18	Jon Webb	46	Hubbard Lake, MI	Thursday	12	Tad Hill	28	Livonia, MI	Thursday	53	Chris Scully	46	Lincoln, MI	Friday
18	Sarah Webb	45	Hubbard Lake, MI	6:25	12	Efrain Cruz	21	Belize City, Belize	8:30	53	Jim Mangutz	42	Mio, MI	4:05
10	Brian Jacobs	39	Frederic, MI	Thursday	36	Michael Garon	48	Washington, MI	Thursday	30	Keith Canny	66	Andover, MN	Friday
10	Bill Grigsby	34	Grayling, MI	6:30	36	Tim Chapple	32	Interlochen, MI	8:35	30	Jo Harberts	47	Minneapolis, MN	4:10
40	Fred Mills	52	Roscommon, MI	Thursday	21	Alex Donaldson	18	Grayling, MI	Thursday	93	Dave Dahi	57	Maple Grove, MN	Friday
40	Joseph Seifert	54	Grayling, MI	6:35	21	Dave Lawe	15	Grayling, MI	8:40	93	Lee Jaapey	63	Minneapolis, MN	4:15
101	Timothy McClure	48	Roscommon, MI	Thursday	28	Jason Hatfield	28	Grayling, MI	Thursday	65	Mike Packard	42	Otego, NY	Friday
101	Ryan McClure	16	Roscommon, MI	6:40	28	Martin Ecker	45	Muskegon, MI	8:45	65	Amy Solak	41	Traverse City, MI	4:20
94	Frank Smutek	72	Luzerne, MI	Thursday	03	Mo Harwood	27	Grayling, MI	Thursday	22	Colin Hunter	25	Grayling, MI	Friday
94	Bill Smutek	39	Luzerne, MI	6:45	03	Steve Lajoie	30	Mirabel, Quebec	8:50	22	Ted Smutek	38	Luzerne, MI	5:15
02	Jim Harwood	41	Grayling, MI	Thursday	86	John Sullivan	36	Grayling, MI	Thursday	71	John Alsop	55	Cornville, ME	Friday
02	Allen Limberg	48	Wausau, WI	6:50	86	Ted Kolka	40	Grayling, MI	8:55	71	Daniel Rabinkin	36	Arlington, MA	5:15
90	Spencer Derenzy	17	Grayling, MI	Thursday	25	Tom Cannon	50	East Lansing, MI	Friday	73	Greg Nelson	49	Marquette, MI	Friday
90	Bob Smith	32	Roscommon, MI	6:55	25	Matt Streib	42	Bristol, IN	2:00	73	Nate Winkler	34	Interlochen, MI	5:20
88	Bill Brundage	55	Traverse City, MI	Thursday	97	Bret Arenz	27	St. Paul, MN	Friday	01	Matthew Rimer	22	Horton, MI	Friday
88	Barb Bradley	49	Wausau, WI	7:15	97	Devin Arenz	28	Bemidji, MN	2:05	01	Andrew Triebold	29	Spring Arbor, MI	5:30

\*\*\*\*\* 2006 AuSable River Canoe Marathon Entry List includes 66 teams registered as of Friday, July 21 \*\*\*\*\*



# 2006 AuSABLE MARATHON PADDLER PROFILES

## CANOE #01

Competitor Andrew Tishbold  
Age 29  
City Spring Arbor  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation High Farmer  
# Marathons 5  
Best Finish 1st  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon I was attracted to the Triple Crown of races.  
Racing Achievements 3rd place in the Triple Crown in 2005.

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Competitor Matthew River  
Age 22  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Construction  
# Marathons 7  
Best Finish 2nd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon It is a race that is known world wide.  
Racing Achievements 1st in La Classique in 2005 and 2005 Triple Crown Champion.

## CANOE #02

Competitor Jim Harwood  
Age 41  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation High School Custodian  
# Marathons 20  
Best Finish 1st  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The race itself.  
Racing Achievements 1st in 1995, 2nd in 1996, and top 5 for the past 8-10 years.

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Competitor Allen Limberg  
Age 48  
City Wausau  
State/Province Wisconsin  
Occupation Surgical Technologist and Carpenter  
# Marathons 7  
Best Finish 3rd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The fun.  
Racing Achievements Have canoe raced locally and other Triple Crown races

## CANOE #03

Competitor Steve Lajoie  
Age 28  
City Mirabel  
State/Province Quebec  
Occupation Electronic technician  
# Marathons 7  
Best Finish 1st  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The distance and the competition.  
Racing Achievements General Clinton 2nd and Classique 11 times (Best was 2nd).

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Competitor Mo Harwood  
Age 27  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Carpenter  
# Marathons 10  
Best Finish 2nd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Family.  
Racing Achievements Nationals State Champs.

## CANOE #05

Competitor Bruce Barton  
Age 49  
City Homer  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Farmer  
# Marathons 10  
Best Finish 2nd  
Most Recent 2003  
Attraction to Marathon Watching when I was young.  
Racing Achievements 1st place in Kolondick C-1 in 2006.

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Competitor Ben Hugus  
Age 15  
City Wausaw  
State/Province Wisconsin  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge to do the longest race in North America.  
Racing Achievements National Champion; Father and I also won the Amateur class in 2005 at the General Clinton.

## CANOE #08

Competitor Pete Mead  
Age 25  
City Traverse City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 6  
Best Finish 15th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Watching the race and talking to paddlers.  
Racing Achievements Amateur State Championships and other 1st and 2nd finishes in MCRA.

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Rivertown Construction

Competitor Mitch McMillan  
Age 31  
City Clare  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Physical Therapist  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 16th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Growing up in Grayling and watching and feeding friends.  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #09

Competitor Al Widing Sr.  
Age 81  
City Mio  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Retired  
# Marathons 34  
Best Finish 2nd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Newspaper article in Flint.  
Racing Achievements 20th in General Clinton, B.C. Race 140 Miles 2nd place, 5 time winner of Rille River in the 50s.

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Competitor Robert Bradford  
Age 63  
City Lapeer  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Retired  
# Marathons 16  
Best Finish 6th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Son wanted to race in 1982.  
Racing Achievements 14 Clinton Races, 6 Classique, 1 Yukon River Quest, 2 Mississippi River full length races.

## CANOE #10

Competitor Brian Jacobs  
Age 39  
City Frederic  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Weyerhaeuser  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Watched friends for years, decided to try it myself.  
Racing Achievements Rookie.

Sponsors: Weyerhaeuser,  
Various friends and family

Competitor Bill Grigsby  
Age 34  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Weyerhaeuser  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Looked like fun.  
Racing Achievements Rookie.

## CANOE #12

Competitor Tad Hill  
Age 28  
City Livonia  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Engineer at Ford  
# Marathons 6  
Best Finish 7th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of pushing your body to the max.  
Racing Achievements 2 top ten finishes, 1 sub for 15 hour finish, 3 time national champion.

Sponsors: Fay's Motel

Competitor Efrain Cruz  
Age 21  
City Belize City  
State/Province Belize  
Occupation Canoe racer  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon It will be fun to check out a new place and another river.  
Racing Achievements 1st place in 2006 Texas Water Safari, 2nd place in La Ruta Mayo River Challenge.

## CANOE #13

Competitor Josh Taylor  
Age 27  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Rig Hand  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 10th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of the race.  
Racing Achievements 2004 Rookie of the year

Sponsors: AuSable Well Service,  
Artic Glacier

Competitor Jason Hall  
Age 28  
City Crystal  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Northland Refrigeration  
# Marathons 5  
Best Finish 10th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements 1996 Junior National Champ.

## CANOE #14

Competitor Bill Torongo  
Age 44  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Weyerhaeuser, Manufacturing  
# Marathons 22  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Fun.  
Racing Achievements Finished 2nd at La Classique with Andy T. last year.

Sponsors: Weyerhaeuser, Thumb  
National Bank and Trust

Competitor Rick Joy  
Age 47  
City Silverwood  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation General Motors Employee  
# Marathons 30  
Best Finish 3rd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Long distance challenge and the roar of the race fans.  
Racing Achievements 2004 Masters C-1 and C-2 National Champion.

## CANOE #17

Competitor Jim Bauer  
Age 61  
City Spokane  
State/Province Washington  
Occupation Teacher and Writer  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 17th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Paddling all night long.  
Racing Achievements 1983 National Champion and 2003 Senior National Champion.

Sponsors: Two Lakes Building  
Corporation, Touching Stone

Competitor Alison Scott  
Age 42  
City Spokane  
State/Province Washington  
Occupation Respiratory Therapist  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #19

Competitor Todd Roadman  
Age 48  
City Bedford  
State/Province Pennsylvania  
Occupation Business Insurance  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 11th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Weak moment.  
Racing Achievements General Clinton, 70 miler, 14 finishes.

Sponsors: RWR Insurance,  
Heartland Hall

Competitor Jeff Rankinen  
Age 42  
City Jersey Shore  
State/Province Pennsylvania  
Occupation Teacher  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 11th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Great course and competition.  
Racing Achievements General Clinton, 70 miler, 18 finishes.

## CANOE #20

Competitor Gabe Williams  
Age 30  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Teacher - Roscommon High School  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The Challenge.  
Racing Achievements Marathon and Ultra Marathon Running.

Sponsors: Northwestern Bank,  
Roscommon Insurance

Competitor Mark Church  
Age 34  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation 5th grade teacher  
# Marathons 20  
Best Finish never  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The Challenge.  
Racing Achievements Marathon running.

## CANOE #21

Competitor Alex Donaldson  
Age 18  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student at U of M  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge and the excitement.  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: Bloomquist and Associates,  
J.W. Hagerman Construction

Competitor Dave Lawe  
Age 15  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The competition and friends I've made and excitement.  
Racing Achievements 2005 (Amateur) Spikes Challenge race, 1st place.  
Roscommon pro am, 1st place.

## CANOE #22

Competitor Ted Smutek  
Age 38  
City Luzerne  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Body shop owner  
# Marathons 7  
Best Finish 11th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Father paddled also.  
Racing Achievements 6 New York Clinton finishes, 2 La Classiques.

Sponsors: Artic Glacier Ice Company,  
Two Track Inn

Competitor Colin Hunter  
Age 25  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Law Student  
# Marathons 10  
Best Finish 11th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Seeing the racers go by my house each year.  
Racing Achievements 10 consecutive years of ARICM finishes, 5 General Clinton finishes, 1 La Classique.

## CANOE #23

Competitor Ken Kolonich  
Age 60  
City Eaton Rapids  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Retired Factory Worker  
# Marathons 20  
Best Finish 2  
Most Recent 2001  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: Moore's Automotive NAPA,  
Super 8, Charles Country Corner

Competitor Steve Kolonich  
Age 34  
City Eaton Rapids  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Lawn Maintenance, Landscaping, and snow removal  
# Marathons 15  
Best Finish 2  
Most Recent 2001  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #24

Competitor Nick Walton  
Age 33  
City Haslett  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Sprinkler Fitter  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 25  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Watched it for years.  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: Grayling Eagles Club,  
Riverland, Grayling Moose Lodge

Competitor Todd Van De Ven  
Age 34  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation USA Army National Guard  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 19  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The excitement and the challenge.  
Racing Achievements MCRA rookie of the year in 1987-88, most improved paddler 1988.

## CANOE #25

Competitor Matt Streib  
Age 42  
City Bristol  
State/Province Indiana  
Occupation  
# Marathons  
Best Finish  
Most Recent  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: Fluid Fun.com,  
Tom Cannon Bowls.com

Competitor Tom Cannon  
Age 50  
City East Lansing  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Carpenter  
# Marathons 8  
Best Finish 5th  
Most Recent 2001  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge to myself and the chance to compete.  
Racing Achievements Drank 13 cans of Ensure during the 2001 marathon. 8 AuSable Marathon mixed team finishes.

## CANOE #26

Competitor Brad Wilson  
Age 24  
City Mt. Pleasant  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Phys. Ed. Teacher  
# Marathons 5  
Best Finish  
Most Recent 2001  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of the race.  
Racing Achievements Jr. and Am. State champion.

Sponsors: Valet Auto Care Inc.,  
Buckleys Canoe

Competitor Joe Pollock  
Age 48  
City Edmore  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Currently unemployed  
# Marathons 7  
Best Finish 17th  
Most Recent 2000  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements MCRA member, New York Race, Quebec Race.

## CANOE #28

Competitor Jason Hatfield  
Age 28  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: Woodland Motor Lodge of  
Grayling

Competitor Martin Ecker  
Age 45  
City Muskegon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Excavator  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #29

Competitor Vicki Cummings  
Age 44  
City Meriden  
State/Province Connecticut  
Occupation Reading teacher gr. K-2nd  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Talking to other paddlers.  
Racing Achievements 2005 Womens white water champion 2005-06 General Clinton, 2nd place Mixed Am. both years.

Sponsors: Fay's Motel

Competitor Del Cummings  
Age 48  
City Meriden  
State/Province Connecticut  
Occupation Chemistry professor  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Other Paddlers.  
Racing Achievements 2005-06 General Clinton 70 mile race, 2nd place Mixed Am. both years.

## CANOE #30

Competitor Jo Harberts  
Age 47  
City Minneapolis  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation Teacher  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of it.  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: North Country Lodge of  
Grayling

Competitor Keith Canny  
Age 66  
City Andover  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation Machinist  
# Marathons 3  
Best Finish  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Challenge.  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #31

Competitor Chad Brandt  
Age 32  
City Hale  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Youth Pastor  
# Marathons 3  
Best Finish 30  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Always enjoyed being on or around the AuSable.  
Racing Achievements Recently finished 7th in an Iron World night time triathlon.

Sponsors: Scofield Real Estate,  
Tawas Chiropractic

Competitor Mike Thomsen  
Age 38  
City Hale  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Excavator  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 30  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of the race.  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #32

Competitor Jerry Killingbeck  
Age 37  
City East Tawas  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Machinist  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 25th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The length.  
Racing Achievements 9th and 10th place in General Clinton.

Sponsors: Gilberts Drugs,  
Wolanns Carpet and Furniture

Competitor Joey Kinsel  
Age 25  
City Oscoda  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Cable Guy  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 25th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The river and the test to do it.  
Racing Achievements 2 marathon finishes.

## CANOE #33

Competitor Kristin Stewart  
Age 42  
City Westmoreland  
State/Province New Hampshire  
Occupation Technology Integration Specialist  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Hearing other paddlers talk about it.  
Racing Achievements '05-06 General Clinton, '05 Womens sprint champion, '05 National Womens marathon, 2nd place.

Sponsors: Fick & Sons Propane--  
Grayling

Competitor Dr. Chuck Boxter  
Age 37  
City Athol  
State/Province MA  
Occupation Chiropractor  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements 2005 General Clinton C-1, 6th place. 2006 Boston, 5th mixed. 2006, General Clinton 5th mixed.

## CANOE #36

Competitor Tim Chapple  
Age 32  
City Interlochen  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Builder  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 46th  
Most Recent 2003  
Attraction to Marathon My brother-in-law started racing in 2000.  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: Fay's Motel, Outback Steak  
House of Traverse City

Competitor Michael Garon  
Age 48  
City Washington  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Manager Clinical Engineer  
# Marathons 11  
Best Finish 20th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements 1992-1995 1st place Michom County Canoe Race, 8 time General Clinton, 1 time La Classique.

## CANOE #37

Competitor Kate Ellis  
Age 50  
City Minneapolis  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation Artist and XC Ski coach  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 14th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The night paddling.  
Racing Achievements I got to race with Al Rudquist one time.

Sponsors: Online Auction House,  
Miltown Title and Escrow

Competitor Todd R. Ellison  
Age 45  
City St. Paul  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 14th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The fans.  
Racing Achievements I have an impressive canoe race t-shirt collection.



**CANOE #40**Sponsors: Holiday Inn - Grayling,  
Northern Tails Pet Grooming

Competitor Joe Seifert  
Age 54  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Sr. Instrument Technician  
# Marathons 10  
Best Finish 10th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Living on the  
AuSable and relatives.  
Racing Achievements 9th in the Triple  
Crown and 1st place Senior division in all  
3 races.

Competitor Fred Mills  
Age 52  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Builder/Owner, Fred Mills Builder  
# Marathons 10  
Best Finish 12th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Parents brought us  
up being on the river.  
Racing Achievements Triple Crown paddler,  
1st, Bush Bash Adventure Race, 10th, in Coast to  
Coast Race across Lower Peninsula.

**CANOE #42**

Sponsors:

Competitor Jon Thompson  
Age 49  
City Lewiston  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Writing Instructor  
# Marathons 5  
Best Finish 16:19  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon It's a tough race.  
Racing Achievements Completed 7 triple  
crown races.

Competitor Brian Royce  
Age 34  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation 5th Grade Teacher  
# Marathons 5  
Best Finish 16:19  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon It's unique.  
Racing Achievements Previous canoe races.

**CANOE #43**Sponsors: Gilberts Drug Store,  
Irish Pub Oscoda

Competitor Ted Matthews  
Age 41  
City East Tawas  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Construction Coordinator  
Cable Guy  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 29th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon I grew up on the  
AuSable and watched the race.  
Racing Achievements Finished the 2005  
Marathon.

Competitor Rodney Matthews  
Age 51  
City Oscoda  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Professional Automotive Tech  
# Marathons 3  
Best Finish 25th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge, the  
love of the AuSable River.  
Racing Achievements MCRA 2002 3X27  
State Amateur Champ.

**CANOE #44**Sponsors: Ed Lazar State Farm  
Insurance, Fay's Motel - Grayling

Competitor Dwight Walker  
Age 52  
City Hastings  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Copier Field Service Technician  
# Marathons 10  
Best Finish 14th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Personal challenge  
of the length and paddling at night.  
Racing Achievements Have done 10  
General Clintons and many USCA  
Championship races.

Competitor Ed Lazar  
Age 49  
City Grosse Pointe Farms  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Insurance Agent  
# Marathons 8  
Best Finish 13th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Peer pressure! The  
personal challenge to finish.  
Racing Achievements 4th in C-1 General  
Clinton, New York, 5th place overall in the  
1996 triple crown.

**CANOE #45**Sponsors: The Law Office of Monte J.  
Burmeister

Competitor Jeff DeFeo  
Age 51  
City Chester  
State/Province Massachusetts  
Occupation General Contractor  
# Marathons 6  
Best Finish 34th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Night paddling, the  
people of the area and the race.  
Racing Achievements 12 General Clintons,  
33 consecutive Westfield River Races, 2 La  
Classique.

Competitor Karen Levitt  
Age 38  
City Northfield  
State/Province Massachusetts  
Occupation History Teacher  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 34th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Paddling at night,  
being part of a canoeing tradition.  
Racing Achievements National Champion  
2004, New England Champion, classique.

**CANOE #46**Sponsors: St. Mary Catholic Community,  
Knights of Columbus Grayling

Competitor John Lucey  
Age 42  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Forensics Scientist  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 36th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of  
racing at night and being able to finish.  
Racing Achievements None.

Competitor Ben Lucey  
Age 19  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Watching my  
father, and eventually mother, race.  
Racing Achievements None.

**CANOE #47**Sponsors: Herb Olson, Farm Bureau,  
John O'Mara, C.P.A.

Competitor Ellen Thompson  
Age 49  
City Lewiston  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Teacher  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements

Competitor Cheryl Lucey  
Age 44  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Substitute teacher  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 40th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The excitement.  
Racing Achievements Marathon 2 times

**CANOE #48**Sponsors: R.O. Quick Construction,  
Neuton Johnston

Competitor Ray Quick Jr.  
Age 51  
City Millington  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation General Contractor  
# Marathons 13  
Best Finish 1st, 1990 amateur  
Most Recent 2003  
Attraction to Marathon Watching it in  
1983.  
Racing Achievements General Clinton and  
New York.

Competitor Ray Quick  
Age 18  
City Millington  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation None  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon My dad doing it.  
Racing Achievements

**CANOE #49**Sponsors: Spicer Group,  
Sylvester's

Competitor Ray Trudgeon  
Age 24  
City East Lansing  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Civil Engineer  
# Marathons 3  
Best Finish 12th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The tradition  
Racing Achievements 17th in 2000  
General Clinton.

Competitor Tom Trudgeon  
Age 47  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Team Officer  
# Marathons 9  
Best Finish 9th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements 9th in 2005 General  
Clinton with Al Lambert and 1st in 2003  
Marathon Mixed team.

**CANOE #52**Sponsors: Just 4 Lads,  
Milltown Title and Escrow of Grayling

Competitor Tim Valko  
Age 37  
City Pinckney  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Director at Pizer  
# Marathons 9  
Best Finish 3rd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Grew up in  
Roscommon.  
Racing Achievements 5th in 2004 General  
Clinton, 3rd in 1999 Marathon and in the  
top 10 in 2003 and 2004 La Classique.

Competitor Guy Rousseau  
Age 43  
City Trois-Rivieres  
State/Province Quebec  
Occupation Inside Sales Plumber/Wholesaler  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 6th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The thrill of pad-  
dling in the night.  
Racing Achievements 5th in 2004 and  
2005 La Classique, Cooperstown Clinton,  
1st in 2006 Boston "Run of the Charles."

**CANOE #53**Sponsors: American Collision, James H.  
Smith Building and Design of TC

Competitor Chris Scully  
Age 46  
City Lincoln  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Auto Detailer  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 32nd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The thrill and  
adrenaline rush of such an enduring race.  
Racing Achievements MCRA pro-am Camp,  
2001

Competitor Jim Mangutz  
Age 42  
City Mio  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Dentist  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Living in Mio on  
the river, this race is a must.  
Racing Achievements Raced MCRA events  
for 3 years.

**CANOE #54**Sponsors: Penrod's Canoe Livery,  
Nature's Kennel

Competitor Lynne Witte  
Age 52  
City Mt. Clemens  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Elementary Teacher  
# Marathons 26  
Best Finish 4th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements United States Canoe  
Association Nationals, Mixed Team  
Marathon record holder (15:04) and Triple  
Crown past years.

Competitor Connie Cannon  
Age 45  
City East Lansing  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation School Secretary  
# Marathons 10  
Best Finish 10th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Watching it as a  
child.  
Racing Achievements This will be my 10th  
AuSable Marathon. I've had many National  
Championships over the last 30 years.

**CANOE #57**

Sponsors:

Competitor Jon Webb  
Age 46  
City Hubbard Lake  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Special Education Teacher  
# Marathons 12  
Best Finish 15th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements 2003 USCA National  
Champ with son Joe.

Competitor Sarah Webb  
Age 45  
City Hubbard Lake  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

**CANOE #58**Sponsors: Cross Country Ski, 5th Street  
Wine Market

Competitor Timothy McClure  
Age 46  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation School Teacher  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon We have been fol-  
lowing it for several years.  
Racing Achievements Raced amateur for 2  
years and started racing pro this year.

Competitor Ryan McClure  
Age 16  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon We have been fol-  
lowing it for several years.  
Racing Achievements Raced amateur for 2  
years and started racing pro this year.

**CANOE #61**

Sponsors: Smith and Brooker, PC

Competitor Chris Hewitt  
Age 16  
City Bay City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 45th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Meeting the chal-  
lenge of proving I can finish.  
Racing Achievements Finishing with my  
dad last year.

Competitor Chuck Hewitt  
Age 47  
City Bay City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Attorney  
# Marathons 8  
Best Finish 19th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Meeting the chal-  
lenge.  
Racing Achievements Finishing the 2005  
Marathon with my son was the best  
achievement I've had in canoe racing.

**CANOE #63**Sponsors: TJs Trucking in Cadillac,  
The Livery Hand-Forged Microbrews

Competitor Sean Casey  
Age 27  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Substitute Teacher/Borcher's  
Canoe Dude  
# Marathons 6  
Best Finish 17th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Watching it just  
wasn't enough anymore.  
Racing Achievements

Competitor Matt Meersman  
Age 29  
City South Bend  
State/Province Indiana  
Occupation Environmental Planner  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 17th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge and  
excitement.  
Racing Achievements 19th place in  
General Clinton.

**CANOE #65**Sponsors: Trophy Trolley in Traverse,  
E-Z Built Homes

Competitor Mike Packard  
Age 42  
City Otego  
State/Province New York  
Occupation Technical Instructor  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish 9th  
Most Recent 2003  
Attraction to Marathon At first the prestige.  
Now visiting John and Sherry.  
Racing Achievements 2 Top 10 pro finishes  
in General Clinton, 1st in mixed in 2000  
Marathon, 9th in 1998 Marathon.

Competitor Amy Solak  
Age 41  
City Traverse City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Executive Secretary for State of MI  
# Marathons 6  
Best Finish 18th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon My father paddled  
and we grew up watching the race.  
Racing Achievements First father/daughter team  
to complete Marathon and Triple Crown, 1st place  
women team in '04 La Classique and '05 Marathon.

**CANOE #68**Sponsors: Brick Wheels,  
Twin Bay Glass

Competitor Tyler Sika  
Age 19  
City Traverse City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Receiving clerk, student  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements

Competitor Rick Sika  
Age 43  
City Traverse City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Production Manager for body  
shop  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 41  
Most Recent 2003  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge and  
achievement of finishing  
Racing Achievements

**CANOE #71**Sponsors: Charlie's Country Corner -  
Grayling

Competitor Daniel Rabinkin  
Age 36  
City Arlington  
State/Province Massachusetts  
Occupation Engineer/Researcher  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Have been wanting  
to do it for several years.  
Racing Achievements 3 time General  
Clinton, 5th place, in mixed 05' 34th in La  
Classique.

Competitor John Alsop  
Age 55  
City Cornville  
State/Province Maine  
Occupation Judge/Lawyer  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Want to do all the  
triple crowns.  
Racing Achievements Various.

**CANOE #72**

Sponsors: EC&amp;S Engineering

Competitor Garth Greenan  
Age 51  
City Traverse City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Civil Engineer  
# Marathons 3  
Best Finish 47th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The tradition, team-  
work and challenge.  
Racing Achievements 2005 Marathon fin-  
isher.

Competitor Grant Tally  
Age 44  
City Flat Rock  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 47th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The personal chal-  
lenge.  
Racing Achievements 2005 Marathon fin-  
isher.

**CANOE #73**

Sponsors:

Competitor Greg Nelson  
Age 49  
City Marquette  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Chiropactor  
# Marathons 5  
Best Finish 18th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of  
paddling on the AuSable.  
Racing Achievements General Clinton, La  
Classique, Mississippi River Classic and  
Yukon River Quest.

Competitor Nathan Winkler  
Age 34  
City Interlochen  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Fisheries Biologist  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 26th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

**CANOE #75**Sponsors: Rudy Racing of Oscoda,  
Camp Grayling Conservation Club

Competitor Armin Lopez  
Age 33  
City Jan Ignacio  
State/Province Cayo, Belize  
Occupation Mason  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 9th  
Most Recent 2003  
Attraction to Marathon Competition.  
Racing Achievements 6-time winner of La  
Ruta Maya Belize, 2005 winner Texas water  
Surfer 2006 Yukon River Quest.

Competitor Wade Binion  
Age 27  
City College Station  
State/Province Texas  
Occupation Carpenter  
# Marathons 3  
Best Finish 16th  
Most Recent 2003  
Attraction to Marathon Race support, loca-  
tion and of course the competition.  
Racing Achievements '04, '06 General  
Clinton '05: La Classique.

**CANOE #76**Sponsors: Rich's Cycle Service,  
Westside Diner

Competitor Josh Sheldon  
Age 25  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Federal Technician  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 19th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Living in Grayling  
and watching the Marathon.  
Racing Achievements

Competitor Brad Gross  
Age 37  
City Pinconning  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Sales  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 15th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Family involvement  
Racing Achievements Tricycle Racing  
Champion at Schaller Auto Mall.

**CANOE #79**Sponsors: Gould Engineering, Inc.,  
Shank Coupland Long plumbing Co

Competitor Martin Spees  
Age 36  
City Flint  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Civil Engineering  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Spectator at previ-  
ous race.  
Racing Achievements

Competitor Jimmy Spaulding  
Age 19  
City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Life guard  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon My partner is mak-  
ing me  
Racing Achievements

**CANOE #83**

Sponsors: Denholm Family Chiropractic

Competitor Ray Bauer  
Age 49  
City Cincinnati  
State/Province Ohio  
Occupation Phone Repairman  
# Marathons 6  
Best Finish 24th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Its length  
Racing Achievements Nationals.

Competitor Tom Ackemyer  
Age 40  
City Cincinnati  
State/Province Ohio  
Occupation Carpenter  
# Marathons 5  
Best Finish 24th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The distance.  
Racing Achievements Biking.

**CANOE #85**Sponsors: Committee to Elect Judge  
Janet Allen - 46th Circuit Court

Competitor Gary Aprea  
Age 63  
City Australitz  
State/Province New York  
Occupation Retired  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 27th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements Raced the General  
Clinton 29 times, 1st in C1 race in 1986,  
1st in Masters C1 several times, 1st in C1  
Seniors and races The Channel.

Competitor Gloria Wesley  
Age 46  
City Pittsfield  
State/Province Massachusetts  
Occupation Physical Therapist  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 15th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon I heard how great  
the experience was.  
Racing Achievements 1st in 2005 C1 open women,  
C2 mixed and women open, 1st in 2003 C1 open  
women, C2 open women and 2nd twice in C2 mixed and  
1st in 2003 and 2004 La Classique C2 mixed.

**CANOE #86**

Sponsors:

Competitor Ted Kolka  
Age 40  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Sewmill worker  
# Marathons 15  
Best Finish 3rd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Wanted to see if it  
hurt. It does.  
Racing Achievements 1st in 1998 Vassar C  
2

Competitor John Sullivan  
Age 36  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation  
# Marathons 9  
Best Finish 2nd  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Watch race grow  
ing up in Roscommon.  
Racing Achievements 2nd in 2002  
National C-2, 4th in National C-1, and 1st  
in 2004 Milesberg.

**CANOE #87**Sponsors: Northland Area Federal Credit,  
Wallington Concrete/Construction

Competitor Rodney Halstead  
Age 21  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Michigan State Employee  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 10th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The beauty of the  
mighty AuSable River.  
Racing Achievements 2002 Amateur  
Rookie of the Year, 2003 Pro Rookie of the  
Year, Top 10 Marathon finish.

Competitor Ryan Halstead  
Age 19  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 10th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The length of the  
great race.  
Racing Achievements 2002 Amateur  
Rookie of the Year, 2003 Pro Rookie of the  
Year, Top 10 Marathon finish.

**CANOE #88**Sponsors: Fay's Motel,  
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Competitor Barb Bradley  
Age 49  
City Wausau  
State/Province Wisconsin  
Occupation Chiropractor and Physical  
Therapist and Nutritionist  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 18th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of  
the river and the competition.  
Racing Achievements 1st in USCA Mixed  
Masters.

Competitor Bill Brundage  
Age 55  
City Traverse City  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Human Resources Manager  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements Cross country skiing,  
trathons and adventure races.

**CANOE #89**

Sponsors: Borchers

Competitor Peter Heed  
Age 56  
City Westmoreland  
State/Province New Hampshire  
Occupation Criminal Defense Lawyer  
# Marathons At least 10  
Best Finish 2th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The "zen" of night  
canoeing, the great crowds at the start.  
Racing Achievements Current C-2 Masters  
National Champion with John Edwards.

Competitor Steve McAleer  
Age 51  
City Napton  
State/Province Ontario  
Occupation Instructor  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 12th  
Most Recent 1999  
Attraction to Marathon Talking with Serge  
Cubbin  
Racing Achievements 1st in 2005 Mixed La  
Classique



# 2006 AuSABLE MARATHON PADDLER PROFILES

## CANOE #90

Competitor Bob Smith  
Age 32  
City Roscommon  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Bicycle Shop Manager  
# Marathons 8  
Best Finish 22nd  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

Sponsors: The Bicycle Shop,  
Grayling Animal Hospital

Competitor Spencer Doreny  
Age 17  
City Grayling  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons N/A  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge of  
paddling 15 hours non-stop.  
Racing Achievements I have multiple top  
20 finishes in the MCRA

## CANOE #93

Competitor Dave Dahl  
Age 57  
City Maple Grove  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation RN and Volunteer Fire Officer  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 18:12  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements X-C skiing, bike tour-  
ing, racing numerous triathlons.

Sponsors: River Country Motel,  
Lookout Bar and Supper Club

Competitor Lee Jarpey  
Age 63  
City Minneapolis  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation Retired  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 18:35  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Endurance and the  
night paddling.  
Racing Achievements Biked across the U.S.,  
kayaked across Finland.

## CANOE #94

Competitor Frank Smutek  
Age 72  
City Luzerne  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Retired  
# Marathons 14  
Best Finish 8th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The length of the  
race and night-time paddling.  
Racing Achievements Finished the Triple  
Crown of Racing twice - once with my  
daughter Amy.

Sponsors: Big Creek Bump and Paint,  
Luzerne Express

Competitor Bill Smutek  
Age 39  
City Luzerne  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Auto Body Mechanic  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #96

Competitor Patricia Heed  
Age 54  
City Westmoreland  
State/Province New Hampshire  
Occupation School Librarian  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 48th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Racing through the  
night and the challenge  
Racing Achievements 2004 Senior AuSable  
Champion and I was the oldest woman in  
the race!

Sponsors: Borchers

Competitor Tom Warner  
Age 58  
City Westmoreland  
State/Province New Hampshire  
Occupation Network Engineer  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 41st  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The distance.  
Racing Achievements 2004 General  
Clinton Senior Pro Champion, 2004  
AuSable Senior Champion.

## CANOE #97

Competitor Brett Arenz  
Age 27  
City St. Paul  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation Grad Student  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 7th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon Like a moth to the  
flames, I seek the night life.  
Racing Achievements 2nd in 2003 The Pas  
and 1st in 2000 stockboat Freds No-Frills  
Race.

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Finn Sisu

Competitor Devin Arenz  
Age 28  
City Bemidji  
State/Province Minnesota  
Occupation Remodeler, Student and  
Future Teacher  
# Marathons 2  
Best Finish 7th  
Most Recent 2004  
Attraction to Marathon The night time is  
the right time.  
Racing Achievements 2nd in 2003 The Pas  
and 6th in 2005 General Clinton.

## CANOE #98

Competitor Joe Shaw  
Age 51  
City Worthington  
State/Province Massachusetts  
Occupation Business Consultant  
# Marathons 9  
Best Finish 8th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Nighttime paddling  
and the great local support in Grayling.  
Racing Achievements Triple Crown.

Sponsors: Days Inn of Grayling,  
CYTOMAX

Competitor Nicholas Bauer  
Age 45  
City Spokane  
State/Province Washington  
Occupation  
# Marathons 4  
Best Finish 6th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon  
Racing Achievements

## CANOE #99

Competitor Benoit Labrosse  
Age 49  
City Shawinigan  
State/Province Quebec  
Occupation School Teacher  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Night paddling and  
endurance racing.  
Racing Achievements La Classique.

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Competitor Ryoan Huard  
Age 64  
City Shawinigan  
State/Province Quebec  
Occupation Executive Director, La  
Classique  
# Marathons 7  
Best Finish 46th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon Night paddling.  
Racing Achievements La Classique and  
General Clinton.

## CANOE #117

Competitor Frank Bailey Jr.  
Age 52  
City Grand Rapids  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Television Broadcast  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge to  
finish in an "A" boat.  
Racing Achievements 2 General Clinton fin-  
ishes

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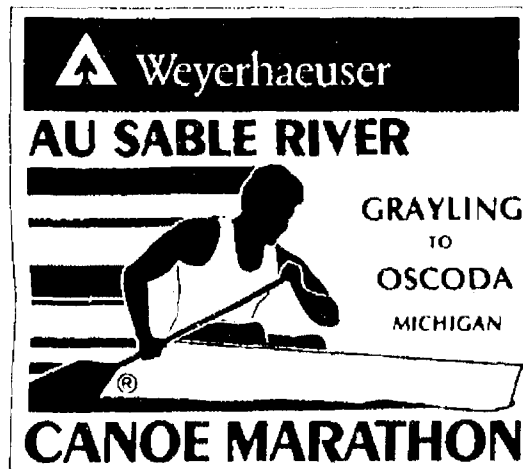
Competitor Frank Taber  
Age 56  
City Lowell  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Broadcast Engineer  
# Marathons 16  
Best Finish 2nd amateur  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements 20 years in the  
Michigan Canoe Racing Association.

## CANOE #136

Competitor Mark Noorman  
Age 37  
City Rockford  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Firefighter  
# Marathons 1  
Best Finish 58th  
Most Recent 2005  
Attraction to Marathon The challenge.  
Racing Achievements Reeds Lake Triathlon  
and Fifth Third River Bank Run.

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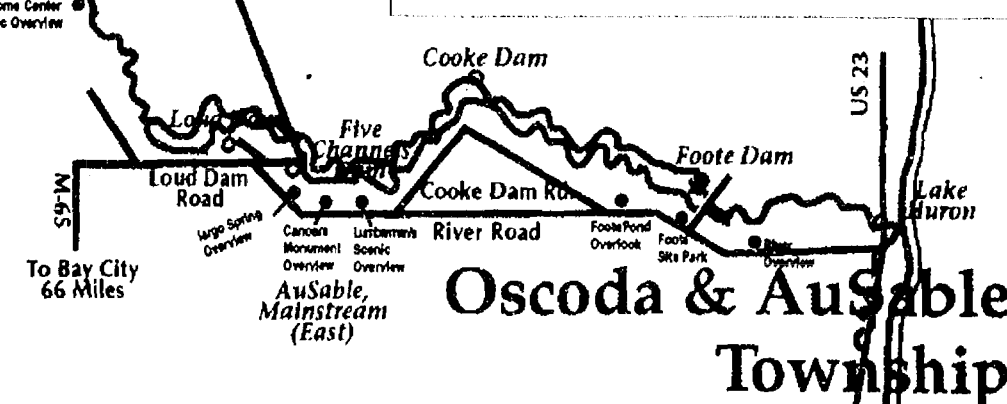
Competitor Samantha Noorman  
Age 15  
City Rockford  
State/Province Michigan  
Occupation Student  
# Marathons 0  
Best Finish N/A  
Most Recent N/A  
Attraction to Marathon Uncle.  
Racing Achievements Crew team.



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A recreation pass is required on all vehicles to enter the following river access sites: 4001 Bridge Landing, Thompson's Landing, Sawmill Point and Whirlpool Boat Landing. Passes are available for \$3 (daily), \$5 (weekly) or \$20 (annual) at the following locations: Grayling - Larry & Joan's Place; Mio - Gott's Landing (8 a.m.-6 p.m.); McKinley - McKinley Grocery Store; Glennie - Alcona Canoe Rental, Glennie Party Store; Oscoda - The Dam Store. Passes are also available at the Mio Ranger Station, the Huron Shores Ranger Station and Lumberman's Monument in Oscoda during normal hours of operation.



## Important Spectator Information

**Road Closings in Oscoda County** - Storms on Monday, July 17, caused severe damage to several roads in Oscoda County. According to the Oscoda County Road Commission, the following roads will be closed during the 2006 AuSable Marathon: Cherry Creek Road, between Thompson Road and Gerber Road; Camp 10 Road, from Cherry Creek Road to Camp 10 Bridge (the north side of the river); Kittle Road, between Gerber Road and Galbraith Road. All of these roads are on the north side of the river. Extensive damage from the storm has made the roads impassable and repair work will not be completed before the Marathon. Feeders and fans must use alternate routes.

**Crawford County** - Stephan, Wakeley and McMasters Bridges will be closed to all vehicle traffic during the race. Feeder teams must take care to be on the side of the river where their feeds are because

they will not be able to cross.

**Oscoda County** - Parmalee Bridge will be closed to spectators but passable for vehicles. No portable lighting will be available. The bridge and road will be open. If you are viewing the race from here, there are good sites along the campground on the north side or at the public access site on the south.

**Mio Dam** - Spectators are not allowed on the spillway. There is a walkway from the MDOT parking area, south of M-72, under the bridge to the dam. You will not have to walk across the highway to get to the dam. Spectators must stay clear of the pathway and the put-in area as the teams portage Mio Dam.

**4001 Bridge** - The U.S. Forest Service may issue tickets for parking in the lot at the boat launch site without the valid parking pass.

**Alcona Dam** - Only feeders and officials will be allowed into the dam parking lot. Spectators should park in the field on the north side of the river and walk across the bridge to the portage.

**Loud Dam** - There will only be parking for spectators on one side of the road leading into the dam to make it safer for people who are walking to view the portage. Only feeders and officials will be allowed into the dam parking lot.

**Five Channels** - Pedestrians and vehicles will not be permitted on the new bridge, but spectators are allowed on the old bridge. Parking in the dam parking lot is for feeders only. Spectators can park in a large field at the top of the hill on the south side of the river.

**Whirlpool near Oscoda** - Everyone must park in the parking lot - not at the boat launch area. The U.S. Forest Service will issue tickets at this area.

## OFFICIAL TIMING & VIEWING LOCATIONS

AuSable Marathon Timing Location	Leaders' Approximate Arrival Time*	Approximate Time Last Canoe Will Pass Each Timing Location
Burton's Landing	9:40 pm	10:10 pm
Stephan Bridge	10:15 pm	11:00 pm
Wakeley Bridge	10:40 pm	11:45 pm
McMasters Bridge	11:45 pm	1:00 am
Parmalee Bridge	12:40 am	2:35 am
Camp Ten Bridge	1:45 am	3:30 am
Mio Dam	2:05 am	4:00 am
McKinley Bridge	3:50 am	6:25 am
4001 Bridge	4:40 am	7:30 am
Alcona Dam	5:20 am	8:15 am
Loud Dam	7:05 am	10:40 am
Five Channels Dam	7:30 am	11:15 am
Cooke Dam	8:30 am	12:30 pm
Foote Dam	9:40 am	2:15 pm
Oscoda (finish)	11:00 am	4:00 pm

\*based on record split times





Andy Triebold and Matt Rimer finish their Spike's Challenge sprint on Saturday. Triebold and Rimer posted the event's best sprint time.



Ray Trudgeon and Tom Trudgeon (left) and Tony Short and Amy Solak (right) paddle in sprints.

## Top four finishers post best sprint times for 2006 Spike's Challenge

### ■ Nine out of top 10 sprint finishers also place in top 10 at Sunday's C-2 race

The teams with the top four sprint times in this year's Spike's Challenge C-2 race event also placed in the top four during Sunday morning's annual canoe race from Ray's Canoe Livery to McMasters Bridge.

The Spike's Challenge sprints

for position, in which paddling teams complete a looped course at the city park to determine starting spots for the race start's run to the river, generally provide a decent preview of where teams might finish in the actual race. Sprints for position were conducted on Saturday, July 22, and the 2006 Spike's Challenge C-2 race was held on Sunday.

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See "TOP FOUR..."



Joe Pollock and Brad Wilson break from the starting line at sprints for position on Saturday.



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Bruce Barton and Ben Hugus (above) and Jeff DeFeo and Karen Levitt (below) paddle downstream during sprints for position.



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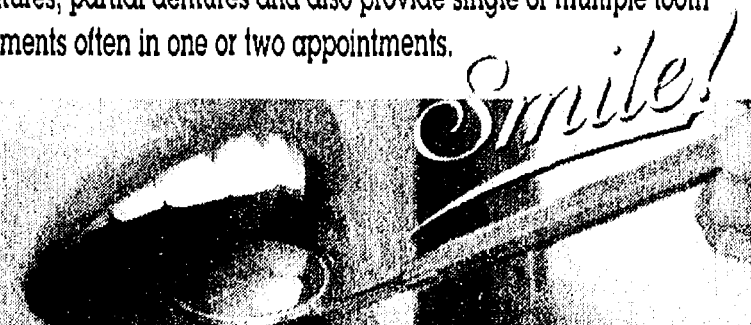
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C-2 Expert Class				
Place	Canoe #	Name	Name	Sprint
01	1	Matt Rimer	Andy Triebold	04:26.8
02	87	Ryan Halstead	Rod Halstead	04:34.8
03	3	Mo Harwood	Steve Lajoie	04:39.3
04	2	Jim Harwood	Al Limberg	04:41.2
05	143	Josh Taylor	Jason Hall	04:51.7
06	120	Pete Mead	Mitch McMillan	04:53.2
07	35	Russ Reker	Al Widing Jr	04:53.5
08	14	Rick Joy	Bill Torongo	04:53.5
09	126	Brad Gross	Josh Sheldon	04:55.0
10	12	Tad Hill	Efrain Cruz	04:58.9
11	37	Kate Ellis	Todd Ellison	04:59.3
12	134	Jim Larsen	Joe Johnson	05:00.2
13	49	Ray Trudgeon	Tom Trudgeon	05:01.3
14	163	Matt Meersman	Sean Casey	05:02.2
15	38	Wes Triebold	Tim Triebold	05:03.9
16	156	Todd VanDeven	Nick Walton	05:04.6
17	4	Ben Hugus	Bruce Barton	05:05.9
18	22	Ted Smutek	Colin Hunter	05:07.8
19	90	Spenser Derenzy	Bob Smith	05:10.6
20	36	Mike Garon	Tim Chapple	05:11.0
21	75	Wade Binion	Armin Lopez	05:14.3
22	108	Fritz Hansen	Mark Koenig	05:17.7
23	89	Steve McAleer	Peter Heed	05:21.0
24	40	Fred Mills	Joe Seifert	05:21.5
25	123	Tony Short	Amy Solak	05:22.0
26	26	Joe Pollock	Brad Wilson	05:23.0
27	42	Jon Thompson	Brian Royce	05:26.6
28	29	Del Cummings	Vicki Cummings	05:27.7
29	73	Greg Nelson	Nate Winkler	05:28.5
30	169	Rick Sika	Tyler Sika	05:30.0
31	33	Dr. Chuck Baxter	Kristen Stewart	05:31.0
32	58	Jon Webb	Sarah Webb	05:31.7

33	8	Brad Taggett	Beth Schlutter	05:35.0
34	88	Barb Bradley	Bill Brundage	05:36.4
35	31	Chad Brandt	Mike Thomson	05:36.6
36	101	Tim McClure	Ryan McClure	05:36.7
37	17	Jim Bauer	Alison Scott	05:37.0
38	9	Al Widing	Bob Bradford	05:38.4
39	54	Connie Cannon	Lynne Witte	05:40.6
40	153	Chris Scully	Doc Mangutz	05:49.9
41	128	Jason Hatfield	Martin Ecker	05:53.3
42	45	Karen Levitt	Jeff DeFeo	05:54.6
43	70	PC Randolph	PC Randolph	05:55.1
44	72	Alex Donaldson	David Lawe	05:57.0
45	94	Frank Smutek	Bill Smutek	06:00.1
46	P39	John Alsop	Janice Stuver	06:13.5
47	25	Tom Cannon	Matt Streib	DNS
47	112	Ted Matthews	Rodney Matthews	DNS
47	89	Carrie Montgomery	Mandy Streib	DNS
47	44	Dwight Walker	Ed Lazar	DNS
47	96	Tom Warner	Tricia Heed	DNS
47	LL	Steve Seager	Jason Snell	DNS
47	107	Grant Tally	Garth Greenan	DNS
47	M	Kevin Murphy	James Walker	DNS

### C-2 Expert 2

01	L	Mark Hugus	John Hugus	05:24.4
02	48	Ray Quick	Ray Quick	05:57.0
03	46	Ben Lucey	John Lucey	05:58.1
04	61	Chuck Hewitt	Chris Hewitt	06:02.2
05	93	Adam Kolka	Stephan Brown	06:16.9
06	47	Cheryl Lucey	Ellen Thompson	06:32.3
07	X	Brian Barkholz	Joe Kimmerer	06:35.7
08	103	Brian Jacobs	Bill Grigsby	06:40.2
09	T	Ron Trojanek	Dustin Pizzi	DNS
09	99	Rejean Huard	Austin Weiler	DNS
09	0	Marcia Rimer	Janet Bradford	DNS

## Top four finishers post best sprint times for 2006 Spike's Challenge

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July 23.

Matt Rimer and Andy Triebold finished with the best sprint time on Saturday at 4:26.8. Rimer and Triebold also won the C-2 race on Sunday.

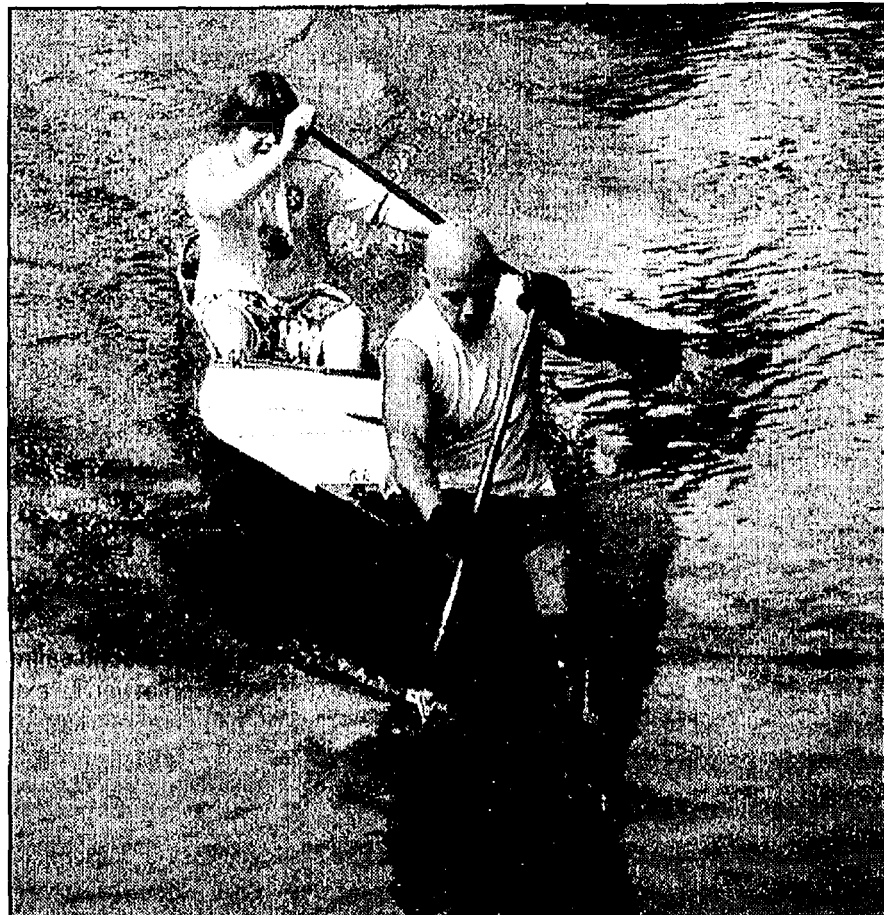
Ryan Halstead and Rod Halstead placed 2nd in sprints (4:34.8) and 3rd in the C-2 race. Mo Harwood and Steve Lajoie posted the 3rd best sprint time (4:39.3) and finished 2nd in the Spike's Challenge. Jim Harwood and Al Limberg finished 4th at sprints (4:41.2) and 4th in the C-

2 event.

Five out of the other six top 10 teams at sprints also finished in the top 10 in the Spike's Challenge: Josh Taylor and Jason Hall (5th at sprints, 8th in the Spike's Challenge), Pete Mead and Mitch McMillan (6th in both), Russ Reker and Al Widing Jr. (7th, 9th), Brad Gross and Josh Sheldon (9th, 5th), Tad Hill and Efrain Cruz (10th, 7th). Placements and times for this year's Spike's Challenge sprints for position event are listed on this page.



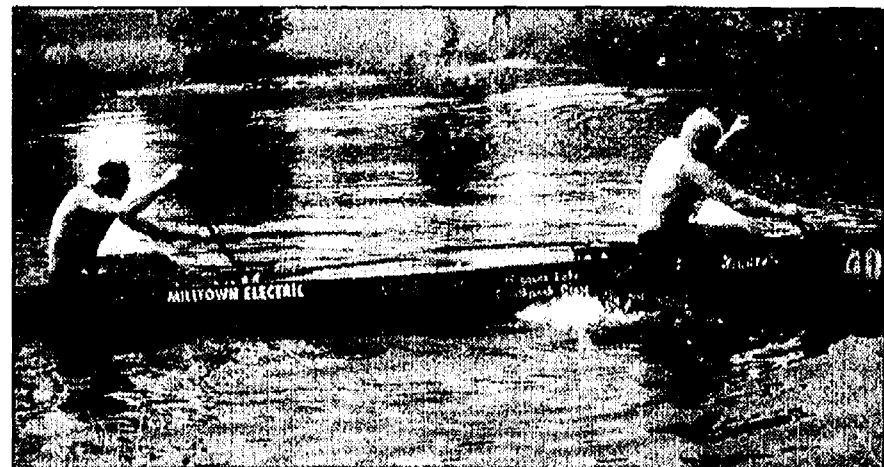
Al Widing Sr. and Robert Bradford approach the railroad bridge on their way to the finish line.



Mark Hugus and John Hugus complete the second half of their sprint for position on Saturday.



Nick Walton and Todd VanDeven paddle in the Spike's Challenge sprints.



Fred Mills and Joe Seifert begin their sprint on Saturday.



Lynne Witte and Connie Cannon prepare for the start of their sprint.



# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



**July 27, 1983 - Dawn Whaley, daughter of Wallace and Carol Whaley of Grayling, brought back two medals from the National Special Olympics in Baton Rouge, La. She took second in the 50 yard dash and third in the standing broad jump.**

### 23 Years Ago July 27, 1983

Grayling racers will be favored to take the \$1,650 first-place prize in the 36th Annual AuSable River Canoe Marathon. Brett Stockton, of Grayling, and his uncle Butch Stockton, of Higgins Lake, last year's champions, have been racking up wins in competitions all summer long and will be shooting to be the first repeat team since Jerry and Jeff Kellogg took two in a row back in 1974 and 1975.

To further the theme of the logging era during the Milltown Festival, the Crawford County Public Transit will be offering free twice a day bus tours to sites

in Crawford County associated with lumbering.

The Grayling Area Canoe Livery Association is sponsoring a canoe race for kids between the ages of 11 and 17. There will be three age groups: 11-12 year olds, 13-14 year olds, and 15-17 year olds. Awards will be given in each age group for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. The race will start at the State Street Bridge from Carlisle Canoes and finish at Louie's Landing, for those ages 11-12 and 13-14. Age group 15-17 will finish at Stephan Bridge Landing.

Garters, straw hats, and parasols to accompany Milltown costumes will be sold for \$1 a piece

by the Chamber of Commerce.

Millikin Construction, behind the experienced play of pitcher Bud Ostrowski, Frankie Robbins, and Todd Collen, won the 1983 Grayling Little League Major Division Championship by defeating McDonald's 7-1 in the final game.

The Hair Station Salon welcomes Patti Hanson and Margaret Richie to its staff.

More than 200 runners are expected for the 4th Annual Milltown Run, scheduled for August 6, during the second week of the Milltown Festival.

Trading Places, rated R, starring Dan Akroyd and Eddie Murphy is now showing at the Rialto Theatre, open 7 nights a week.

### 46 Years Ago July 28, 1960

Emil Kraus Jr., of Grayling and Detroit, has leased the former Sales 5¢ and \$1 Store for a five year period with an option to buy.

The Lantern Diner, located on M-93 at Lake Margrethe, is under new management and open daily and Sunday.

William Dean Kenyon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kenyon, completed the requirements for his Bachelor of Science degree from Central Michigan University. He has accepted a position teaching in Caseville and will also be the head football and basketball coach.

The Grayling Police Department is carrying on an investigation on three breaking

and entering cases in which money was stolen in each instance.

### 69 Years Ago July 29, 1937

Miss Elaine McDonnell, 20 year old daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. James McDonnell, will reign over the colorful Grayling Canoe Carnival, under the title of "Queen of the AuSable"

Sam Rasmussen has purchased the large barn that has stood on the former Hans Peterson property for years and had it moved to his property on Peninsular Avenue. George Schrupp and his crew of workers from Houghton Lake did a fine job of moving it. Sam expects to remodel the building into a warehouse for his lumber and building supply business.

### 92 Years Ago July 30, 1914

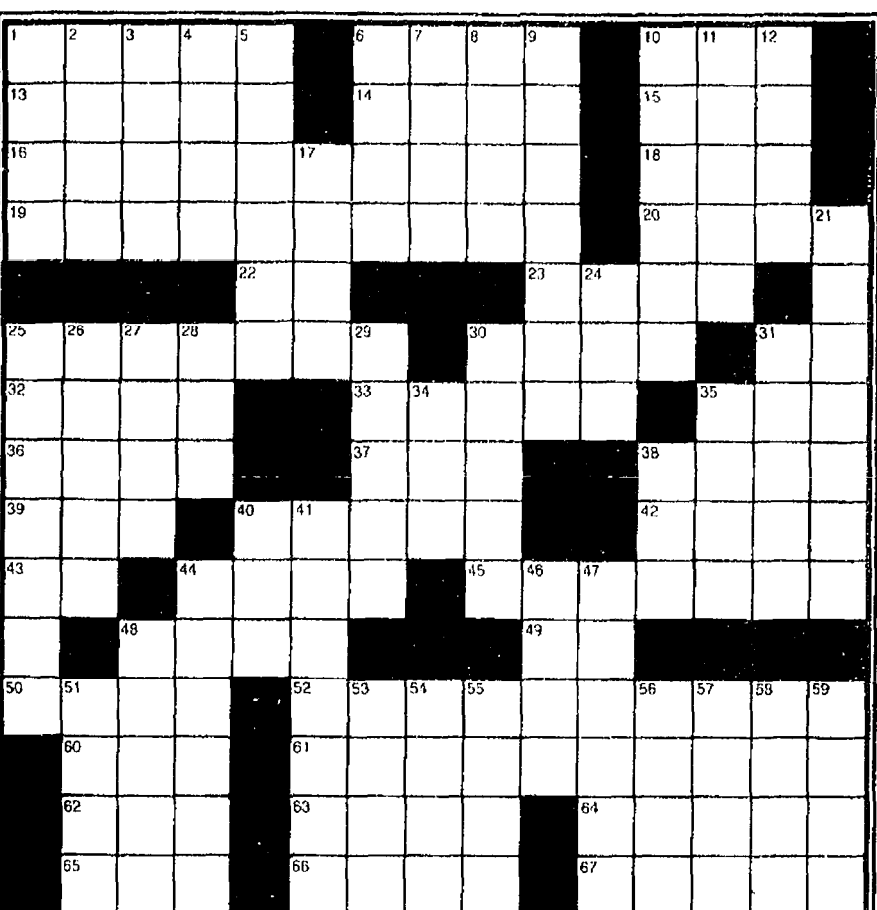
In preparation of the coming rush of business during the encampment both Collens and Stannard's restaurants considerably increased their capacity by adding more counters.

Monday was the first arrival of the first troops at Camp Hanson and marked the first encampment to be held there.

Efner Matson has opened up a barber shop in the rooms over the restaurant.

Miss Franceila Wingard took her Sunday school class to Portage Lake for a picnic.

## CROSSWORD



### Across

1. General kind of something.
6. Injure with a sharp, pointed object.
10. Large storage vessel.
13. Past tense of "grise."
14. Feel concern.
15. Capital of an Armenian kingdom 3,000 years ago.
16. Mortician.
18. Disencumber.
19. Constellation Ursa Minor.
20. Whole individual unit.
22. Negative.
23. Undecided.
25. Worn out.
30. Peasant laborer.
31. Used to express surprise.
32. Common currency shared by members of the European Economic Community.
33. Burning feeling of skin.
35. Fossilized coal used only as jewelry.
36. Decide what will be removed.
37. Negative side.
38. Breed of medium-sized Hungarian sheepdog.
39. Loud, harsh noise.
40. Found pleasant.
42. Tiny piece of anything.
43. Novel by Stephen King.
44. Clownish.
45. Of a triangle having three sides of different lengths.
48. German for "stream."
49. Used to connect words representing alternatives.
50. Long, usually formal, woman's dress.
52. Composed of one legislative body.
60. That which is below standard.
61. Organize into modules.
62. Smallest whole number.
63. Declare positively.
64. Backless sofa.
65. Good hearing.
66. Person's reputation.
67. Concerning.

### Down

1. Ancient region of western Europe.
2. River in northwest Ireland.
3. Village of the canton of Bern in Switzerland.
4. Consumes regularly.
5. Peace.
6. Crustlike surface of a healing skin lesion.
7. Regularly receive something.
8. Unoccupied plot of land.
9. Produced berries.
10. Tax on imported goods.
11. Oneness.
12. Dwell.
17. Walk on.
21. Month of May.
24. Forward and back.
25. Parallel grooves cut into the edge of a coin at right angles to the face.
26. Official examination of a company's books.
27. Act of closing the teeth and showing them.
28. Past participle of "get."
29. Highly offensive.
30. Causes to go somewhere.
31. Profits earned from a business venture.
34. Channon, actor.
35. Strong, coarse fiber used for making burlap.
38. Friend.
40. Resinous incrustation produced by the female of the lac insect.
41. Extremely cruel in a frightening way.
44. Benjamin, conductor of the Boston Philharmonic.
46. Type of fossil fuel.
47. Large fleet.
48. Devil, film starring Robert Stack.
51. Woodwind instrument.
53. Appearance of a new star.
54. Same as above.
55. Successful treatment of a disease.
56. Bode, vocalist.
57. Tear it apart.
58. Muslim call to prayer.
59. Actively cause something to happen.

## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## ADOPT A PET



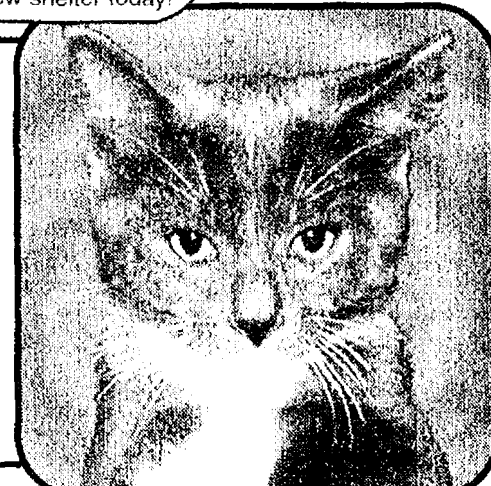
### Fletcher

is a blonde Lab/Shepherd mix. He is an active and affectionate guy with a nice personality. Fletcher seems great with other dogs. He is scheduled to be neutered soon and will be ready for a new home.

Your donation to the "Gimme Shelter \$10k Challenge" will be matched up to \$10,000! Help build a new shelter today!

### Pacer

is a handsome 9 week old kitten. He is pretty laid back and enjoys being held. Pacer has 4 other wonderful sisters and brothers waiting for homes also.



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**The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at: 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling**

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## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## New Zealand Glazed Snapper and Arugula Salad with Vanilla Saffron Aioli

- |     |                                 |     |                    |
|-----|---------------------------------|-----|--------------------|
| 4   | vine-ripened tomatoes           | 1/2 | teaspoon fine salt |
| 12  | baby gourmet potatoes           | 1   | egg yolk           |
| 4   | medium fillets of fresh snapper | 6   | oz. grape seed oil |
| 1   | cup fresh arugula               | 1/2 | cup sugar          |
| 1   | tablespoon white wine vinegar   | 2   | tablespoons water  |
| 1/2 | teaspoon ground saffron         | 1/2 | teaspoon salt      |
| 1   | teaspoon of vanilla extract     |     | Juice of 1 lemon   |

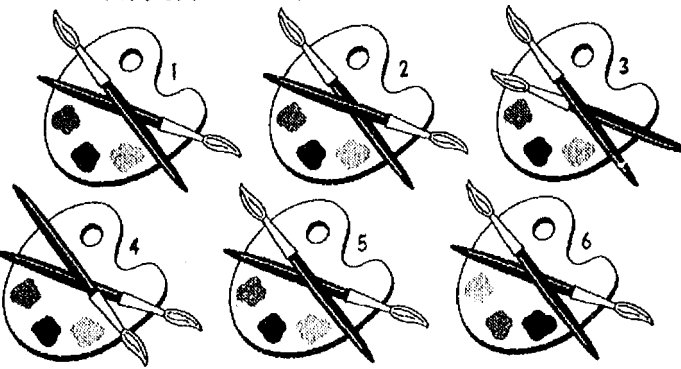
Place tomatoes on a tray of rock salt in the oven at 320° F and roast until skins begin to split. Remove from oven and keep warm. Slice potatoes into thin slices and pan fry in olive oil with sea salt till golden and crispy. In a large pan, fry the snapper (sprinkled with sea salt) skin-side-down until golden. Turn the fillets over to finish cooking the fish. To stop the fillets from curling up, use a fish slice to press down on the fillets as soon as they go in the pan. Hold for 20 seconds at the start. Toss arugula in a bowl with 1 teaspoon of extra-virgin olive oil. Arrange potato slices on warmed dinner plates and squeeze "circles" of vanilla saffron aioli around the potatoes. Place snapper on top with arugula and roast tomato to the side. Brush with lemon caramel and serve while hot. **Vanilla Saffron Aioli:** Boil the vinegar and saffron together. In a bowl, whisk vanilla, salt into the yolk, whisk in vinegar and slowly add in the oil, whisking well. Place in a bottle until ready to use. This makes it easy to serve and will keep in the fridge for up to four days. **Lemon Caramel:** Boil sugar, water and salt till golden caramel in color. Remove from the heat and cool slightly before carefully stirring in the lemon juice. Use a pastry brush to coat the snapper fillets.

Serves 4.



## FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

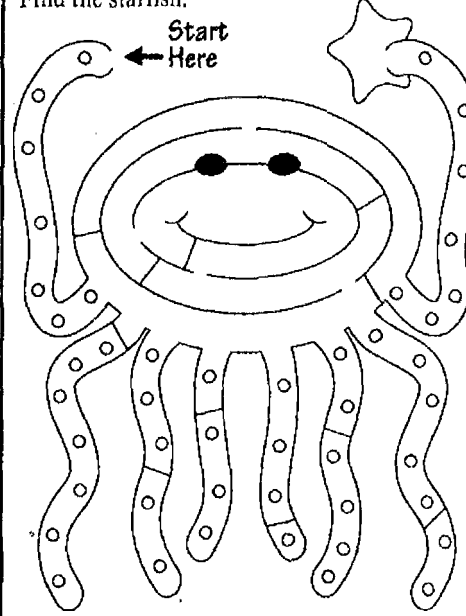


## DID YOU KNOW ??

The giant squid has the largest eyes in the world.

## MAZE

Find the starfish.



## HOROSCOPES

For the week of July 27, 2006



December 22-  
January 19

A friend's investments pan out. Invite them over to celebrate. A special occasion deserves careful consideration.



March 21-  
April 19

You get bogged down in the details of a project. Pull back and look at the big picture. You're missing a vital piece of the puzzle.



June 22-  
July 22

A generous gesture inspires you to get more involved. Start at home with an organization close to your heart. A memo shakes things up at work.



September 23-  
October 22

You must stop making allowances for a friend. They are starting to depend upon you to cover for them. Look the other way and let nature take its course.



January 20-  
February 18

Growing weary of the office politics. Aquarius? Don't worry. A change in personnel will soon put a stop to them. A comical mishap at home has everyone laughing.



April 20-  
May 20

You're such a perfectionist, Taurus. Nothing gets by you. Use your skills to help out a friend who has been put in charge of an important social event.



July 23-  
August 22

Chores are stacking up at home. Take some time each night to deal with them. The weekend gala promises to be a success.



October 23-  
November 21

You're not much of a talker, Scorpio. To get where you want to be, you need to work on your networking skills. In this case, it really is whom you know.



February 19-  
March 20

Had enough curve balls, Pisces? Take a look around you. Your problems pale in comparison to those of others. Be thankful for what you have.



May 21-  
June 21

You take a stab at a home improvement project and fail. Admit your lack of expertise and hire a professional. The results will be worth the extra money.



August 23-  
September 22

A recurring dilemma at home signals that it's time to take stock of your life. You are way too busy. Scale back your activities and spend more time with your family.



November 22-  
December 21

You are savvy when it comes to money, but that doesn't mean you can help a friend who is facing financial ruin. Advise them to seek the help of a consultant.

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

### Last Week

Date	H	L	Precip.
7/19	89	54	0
7/20	82	56	0
7/21	81	55	0
7/22	73	51	0
7/23	76	51	0.14
7/24	74	52	0
7/25	82	60	0.25

### Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 82	High 86	High 82	High 78	High 80	High 83
Low 64	Low 58	Low 57	Low 58	Low 60	Low 60
Isolated Showers	Scattered T-Storms	Isolated Showers	Partly Cloudy	Isolated Showers	Scattered T-Storms



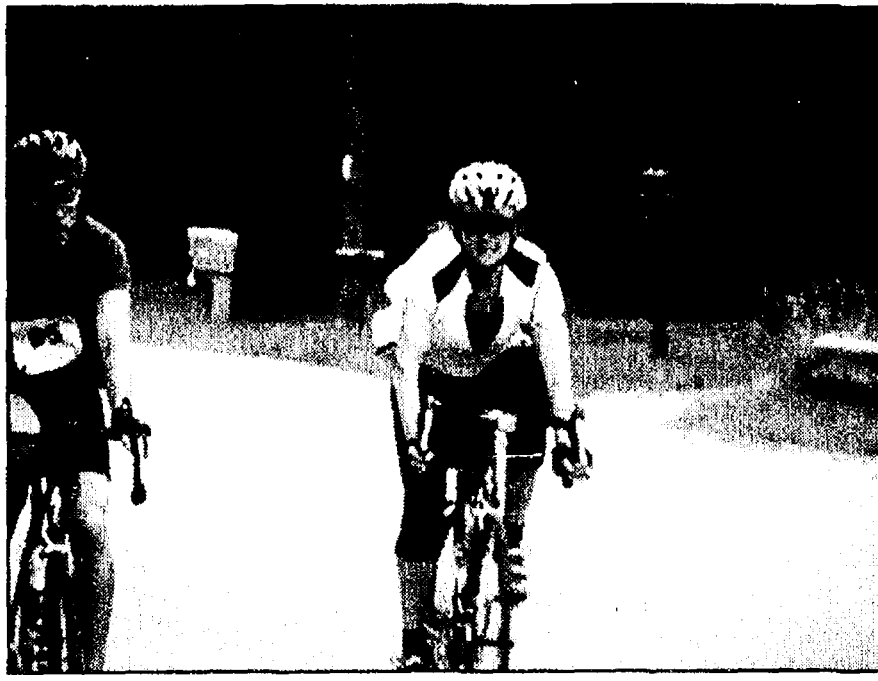
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# Bicycle riders to chase canoes during annual race

■ **Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour to start at 8 a.m. on Sunday, July 30**

For over 58 years canoe racers have paddled through the night from Grayling to Oscoda in what is considered to be the number one canoe marathon in North America. During the annual Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour, bicyclists have given the canoes an 11-hour head start riding a 100-mile route Sunday morning from Grayling to Oscoda in an effort to catch as

many canoes as possible as they approach their destination near the shores of Lake Huron.

Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour riders will ride against the clock to establish individual times in covering the 100 miles from Grayling to Oscoda. A 100-mile ride is referred to by bicyclists as a "Century Ride" and many feel that riding a "Century" is a milestone of riding experiences.

In the past, riders have taken as long as nine hours to cover the distance; in contrast, one of the riders that would have been con-

sidered to be in a hurry was David Johnson. Johnson has a complicated looking bicycle called a recumbent that is fully streamlined. What it takes away in visual complexity it gives back in speed. In 2004 David Johnson covered the 100 miles in a record-setting time of 3 hours 38 minutes, 20 seconds. Johnson missed one of the corners in 2005, went eight miles out of his way, and was the first to finish the course, in either a canoe or a bike, in a time of 3 hours 50 minutes, 8 seconds.

The 2006 Avita Water Black

Bear Bicycle Tour will also allow riders to pair up, with one rider covering the 56 miles between Grayling and McKinley, and the second rider finishing the 100-mile trek to Oscoda.

"This class may give them a chance to try a smaller part of the entire route — the people in McKinley have been really helpful over these last two years with our event so we decided it should be called the 'McKinley Class,'" event organizers said.

Regardless of the riders' finish, each will be eligible for a random drawing for prizes. "We will have 100 raffle prizes that will vary from bicycle tools and accessories to a few larger prizes — the biggest of which is a new Old Town Kayak. Regardless of the riders' finish time they will have an equal chance for the kayak. You must finish under your own power to claim a prize," Rotary spokesman Ryan Nelson said.

"The Grayling Rotary Club is conducting the Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour to open up the opportunities of the area to cyclists looking for a challenging ride and some outstanding scenery. The State Forest in the Mio area has been identified by *Bicycling Magazine* as one of the '50 Best Areas On The Planet To Ride,'" event organizers said.

Rotary event chairperson Fred Fisher III had this to say: "We wanted to develop an event that you could ride fast or slow. We keep the finish line open until 4 p.m. and sometimes later. The road surfaces are very good and the Road Commissions have incorporated pretty good paved shoulders along the route. The AuSable Valley has great recreation opportunities with over 1,500 campsites, world class canoeing and fishing, and a half dozen of the best scenic overviews in the Lower Peninsula. The bicycles are a perfect fit."

The racing canoes average from eight to nine miles per hour, while a fast cyclist can average speeds of twenty-five miles per hour or more. The bicycles will be following the course of the river. A course map and additional information is located on the Internet at <http://www.grayling-area.com/blackbear2006>. Please check the schedule and route, and you may have the opportunity to see them on their way to Oscoda.

The fastest bicycle riders are estimated with arrival times for the following locations:

Depart Grayling (8 a.m.) Sunday, July 30; Arrive Mio (9:48 a.m.); Arrive McKinley (10:14 a.m.); Arrive Glennie (10:45 a.m.); Arrive Oscoda (11:50 a.m.).

Any profits from the event will go to charitable Rotary efforts. The Grayling Rotary participates in many worthwhile efforts including scholarships, the construction of a local bicycle pathway, and the international effort to eradicate polio from the planet. Additionally, they have purchased bicycle helmets for several years that are given free to children who participate in a Bicycle Safety Rodeo. The Grayling Rotary belongs to Rotary International.

## Weyerhaeuser proudly supports the AuSable River Canoe Marathon

*We wish each team success in this year's event and thank them for being an important part of the tradition of excellence.*

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## RESIDENTIAL/RECREATIONAL

<p><b>JUST MINUTES FROM BEAR LAKE ACCESS.</b> Quiet corner lot off the main road with clean mobile home featuring updated roof and 14 x 18 addition. Only minutes away from Bear Lake access and snowmobile trails. FF-2175 \$29,900</p>	<p><b>ADJOINS WHITE PINE PARK.</b> Close access to state land and trail. New construction in shell status. Finish yourself and save. 1,152 s.f., 24 x 32 open loft, 16 x 24 second story, septic, shallow well with picket pump, 5 block crawl space. Interior partitions, windows, and doors installed. CH-2314 \$49,900</p>	<p><b>GREAT STARTER HOME.</b> This home in the city of Grayling could make a great starter home. Easy access to the center of the city and all schools. Located in a nice neighborhood and has many updates. TS-2182 \$69,000</p>	<p><b>2.7 ACRES ADJOINING 120 ACRES TO THE EAST.</b> Secluded setting. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath offering open floor plan, new vinyl windows, roof and new well. Great recreational property for snowmobiling and hunting. Close to Higgins Lake. CS-2370 \$76,000</p>	<p><b>NEWLY REMODELED HOME CLOSE TO TOWN.</b> 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, large living room, nice back yard with over 1/2 acre. New carpet, drywall and paint. New roof. Garage. Very Nice. Immediate Occupancy. CS-2313 \$69,500</p>	<p><b>24 ACRES CLOSE TO AUSABLE RIVER AND STATE LAND.</b> COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS BEST! Like new 3 bedroom, 2 baths. New drywall and floor coverings. Vaulted ceilings. Oak kitchen cabinets, large pantry, garbage disposal. Central Air. Outside water and electric. Sprinkler system. Turn Key with immediate occupancy. CS-2363 \$93,500</p>	<p><b>HALF LOG SIDING IN WOODED SETTING.</b> Includes adjacent building site. Secluded location at end of private drive. Spacious home and grounds. 1,585 S.F., 3 BR, 2 bath home. Master bedroom suite, vaulted ceiling, raised panel interior doors, window A/C, washer and dryer negotiable. 24 x 62 garage, 220 electrical service and drive through doors. Grayling school district, Kalkaska County. CH-2342 \$119,500</p>	<p><b>CURB APPEAL.</b> Deal describes this land-scaped yard. Large shady lot with mature hardwoods. 1,632 s.f., 4 BR, 2 bath Colonial. Full basement, brick fireplace with gas insert. Covered front porch and exterior deck. Detached insulated garage, attached garage, 12 x 16 storage building, plus concrete/blacktop drive, 2 water wells. Versatile easting woodstove which heats in basement, wind for generator and all. Home is spotless inside and out. CH-2340 \$168,000</p>
<p><b>TIDY MOBILE IN THE HEART OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN.</b> featuring updated well, roof, three season porch and partially furnished. Secluded setting just minutes from snowmobiling, and I-75 corridor with four season access off paved, maintained road. FF-2307 \$29,900</p>	<p><b>GREAT RECREATIONAL PROPERTY.</b> featuring roof and clean mobile with updated windows, siding, roof over, furnace and 12 x 24 family room addition. Covered screen porch, large deck for entertaining. 24 x 32 insulated pole barn with nature trails, all on 5 acres just minutes from I-75 corridor. FF-2315 \$59,900</p>	<p><b>GREAT STARTER OR RETIREMENT HOME WITH CITY AMENITIES.</b> Cozy 2 bedroom, 1 bath, featuring beautiful private backyard and updated new high efficiency furnace. All appliances included in sale. FF-2355 \$69,900</p>	<p><b>NEWER HOME ACROSS FROM STATE LAND.</b> 6" walls, extra insulation. Oak cabinets. Close to town. 12 storage shed, fenced back yard and has a lot of potential. Located on a large lot on a paved street. Very energy efficient. Good neighborhood. Great value for the price. TS-1891 \$77,900</p>	<p><b>PERFECT RECREATIONAL RETREAT.</b> 3 bedroom residential home. New vinyl siding, new windows and central air. It is only 5 years old, plus a fairly new furnace in the basement. Attached garage with woodstove. All appliances including central air conditioning. Put your extras in the 30x40 POLE BARN. Within walking distance to the West Branch of Big Creek. \$69,900 DBB-2117</p>	<p><b>ONE YEAR HOME WARRANTY INCLUDED.</b> Great four bedroom, two bath home in one of Grayling's most desirable neighborhoods. New kitchen cabinets and floor covering. Updated roof, furnace and hot water heater. Private fenced in back yard with large deck. 24 x 32 garage with separate electric service. FF-1980 \$96,500</p>	<p><b>PERFECT RETIREMENT OR HOBBY FARM.</b> 5+/- acres, mostly wooded. Very nicely maintained ranch offering over 1800 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms with master suite, 2 full baths, family room fireplace, central air, large rear deck &amp; loads of privacy &amp; wildlife. Large 50 x 40 garage (12x12 needed) fenced for animals, walking distance to the Ausable River. DBB-2362 \$124,900</p>	<p><b>DESIGNED WITH DISTINCTION.</b> This 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home has many features. Kitchen offers history cabinets. Dining room offers wet bar and snack bar. Gas fireplace and large family room. Large breezeway off garage with 1/2 bath. Vaulted and cathedral ceilings. Large family room and den. Ceramic tile in baths. Natural gas efficient boiler system. CH-2216 \$169,900</p>
<p><b>CABIN WITH POLE BARN.</b> A great recreational cabin with a 24 x 24 pole barn. Close to all lakes, rivers and recreational areas. TS-2316 \$34,500</p>	<p><b>NICE HOUSE ACROSS ROAD FROM MANISTEE RIVER.</b> Year round trout fishing with 4 out buildings, only walking distance from state land. The perfect cabin or home in the woods to view nature at it's best in your back yard. DB-1934 \$62,500</p>	<p><b>LOOKING FOR A GOOD BUY?</b> This 3 bedroom, 1 bath home is located on a double lot (120 x 120). Hardwood floors in living room, all 3 bedrooms and hallway. New vinyl siding. New floors. New furnace and hot water heater. Home has immediate occupancy. Come see the value! CS-2192 \$74,500</p>	<p><b>FRESHLY REMODELED HOME IN THE CITY OF GRAYLING.</b> New carpet, trim, paint, and floor covering. 1,368 s.f., 3 bedrooms, one bath, and partial basement. 16 x 24 garage, 10 x 12 storage shed, fenced back yard, concrete drive, and covered front porch, close to hospital, schools, and downtown. CH-2368 \$79,900</p>	<p><b>COUNTRY SETTING, CENTRALLY LOCATED TO GRAYLING AND ROSCOMMON.</b> 980 s.f., well cared for ranch home, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, large master bedroom with vanity and sink. Interior freshly painted, new carpet, new appliances, new door wall and new plumbing fixtures. Country setting yet very close to amenities. TS-2291 \$89,900</p>	<p><b>LAKE MARGRETHE ACCESS!!</b> Completely renovated 1,250 s.f., 3 bedroom, and 1 bath home. Ceramic tile flooring, central A/C, raised six panel doors, drywall interior, whirlpool bath, and new 4 inch well. Adjoins State Land on West Side! CH-2321 \$98,900</p>	<p><b>CLASSIC "UP-NORTH CHALET" ACCESS TO AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM.</b> and matching garage on 5 acres. 1,584 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, brick fireplace, beamed and knotty pine ceilings. Master bedroom has vaulted ceiling and door wall onto a 6x18 balcony. 3 car garage with overhead double door. 12 x 22 carport. 8 x 16 shed. 8 x 14 wood shed. Adjacent 25 acres (Village 24) available \$10,000. CH-2233 \$125,000</p>	<p><b>3 BR., 2 1/2 BATH RANCH STYLE HOME</b> with basement on 3.6 acres. Backed by state game reserve, across the road from the Ausable River. This home was built with efficiency and low maintenance in mind. Features ceramic tile heated floors, master bath with walk-in closet, 2 car garage, an unattached 32 x 40 garage with 15' ceiling for boat or RV, drive through doors on all sides and a dog building, w/ dog &amp; it's own mini septic. DB-2128 \$189,900</p>
<p><b>THIS 700 S.F., 3 BEDROOM HOME/COTTAGE IS IDEAL</b> for starter home or retirees. New carpet and remodeled bath. New furnace, water heater, electrical system and new well combo with mobile in 2003. It's located close to state land and Knott Lake. 740 s.f. mobile rental unit included with the sale and is currently rented. Main cabin/home recently re-insulated completely. TS-2387 \$47,500</p>	<p><b>THIS WELL MAINTAINED MOBILE HAS THE FOLLOWING</b> improvements in the last 2-3 years: new metal roof, new furnace with central air, new stove and refrigerator. New hot water heater and new vinyl windows. The garage is insulated and has a gas furnace and a wood stove. The back yard is fenced. CH-2369 \$65,900</p>	<p><b>STATE LAND ADJACENT.</b> Looking for a hunting camp or place to snowmobile from? This place offers four bedrooms, laundry room with washer and dryer, recently renovated bathroom, modern kitchen with stove and refrigerator. All furniture and appliances are included. The 3.3 acres includes state land on the west side. This place will receive new shingles before the end of the year. GB-2132 \$74,500</p>	<p><b>IMMACULATE 3 BR., 2 BATH HOME</b> located in the city of Grayling. Features include custom door, built in hutch in dining room, peninsula with glass door cabinets, vaulted ceilings and jacuzzi tub in master bedroom. 24 x 24 garage with electric door opener and cement drive and apron. Home has a 6' construction, drywall interior with fresh paint &amp; carpet. Perennial gardens. FF-2306 \$84,900</p>	<p><b>QUALITY CONVENIENCE COMFORT.</b> Newly remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath offers 1,104 s.f. New roof, vinyl siding and vinyl windows with oak sills, new furnace, hot water heater and central air. New oak kitchen cabinets w/ log-sawn and pantry, all new appliances include ceramic cook top, stove, refrigerator and built-in microwave. New insulation, storm doors, drywall, floor covering and 24 x 26 garage. Privacy fence to the south. FF-2268 \$89,900</p>	<p><b>A LANDLORD OPPORTUNITY AS A DUPLEX.</b> or live in one unit and rent out the second unit. New vinyl windows throughout, all new vinyl siding, and brand new roof and furnace. New carpeting and vinyl flooring on lower and upper levels, new stove and refrigerator. Double lot, extra lot is vacant and is included in this listing. Lower &amp; upper levels have been steadily rented, are currently vacant and ready for immediate occupancy. Lower \$475/upper \$525 per month. \$950 DBB-2366</p>	<p><b>QUALITY CONSTRUCTED RANCH HOME</b> situated on 5 acres and offering a full basement, 1.5 baths. Parge floors, kitchen cabinets, 2 1/2 bath in awesome quality built 30 x 40 Pole Building (with 4 windows and 12x20 door). Vaulted ceiling in kitchen, dining and living room area. All kitchen appliances, well maintained garage, 17' standing fireplace w/valve, solid birch interior doors, plus space vinyl front deck. All appliances included. Furnishings are negotiable. Set back off the road in an extremely quiet setting. Appointment necessary. \$131,000 DBB-2337</p>	<p><b>CHARMING COTTAGE WITH VIEWS OF GUTHRIE AND SECTION ONE LAKE</b> frontage at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac with scenic views. Features include high efficiency heat pump, master suite, full bathroom, use of clubhouse, tennis courts and pool. Rustic Oak floor with numerous windows, large patio for entertaining. Master suite addition in 2001 with private vaulted ceiling and views of lake. Two car garage and shed for all the toys. FF-2354 \$125,900</p>

### Vacant Land

**10+ ACRES WITH TALL OAKS AND PINE.** Great building site. DBB-2299 \$32,500

<p><b>NICE SUBDIVISION WITH PRIVATE PARK EASEMENT TO MANISTEE RIVER.</b> This home offers 2-3 bedrooms and 1 bath. Full basement that is drywalled with family room and additional room. Large deck with privacy fence. 3 lots total. Cement drive. Close to trails and state land. \$67,000. CS-2242</p>	<p><b>DOWNTOWN FREDERIC 4-BEDROOM.</b> Above ground swimming pool. Cozy 4 bedroom home located in the center of Frederic. Well cared for. Exterior is plaster with 1" foam insulation under plaster. Storage basement for furnace and miscellaneous. TS-2185 \$75,000</p>	<p><b>FIVE BEDROOM HOME WITH FULL BASEMENT!!</b> conveniently located in Red Wing Terrace offering blacktop streets and natural gas. Interior has drywall, carpeting, hot water baseboard heat. There's a large deck, spacious backyard and storage building. Exceptional size (1,798 s.f.). CH-2367 \$88,500</p>	<p><b>MAINTENANCE FREE HOME FEATURING VINYL SIDING, NEW METAL ROOF, brick fireplace, new vinyl siding and vinyl windows with oak sills, new furnace, hot water heater and central air. New oak kitchen cabinets w/ log-sawn and pantry, all new appliances include ceramic cook top, stove, refrigerator and built-in microwave. New insulation, storm doors, drywall, floor covering and 24 x 26 garage. Privacy fence to the south. FF-2268 \$89,900</b></p>	<p><b>CLOSE TO TOWN AND I-75 ACCESS.</b> Offering a 960 s.f. pole barn, 26 x 40 garage with up stairs storage area. A full basement, 2 full baths and extensive decking located on a paved, maintained road. DBB-2345 \$115,000</p>	<p><b>WONDERFUL VACATION COTTAGE OR RETIREMENT HOME</b> featuring finished full basement fireplace, updated appliances, carpeting, insulation and large finished garage all situated on 5 wooded acres just minutes from the Ausable River "Holy Waters", Higgins Lake and I-75 corridor. FF-2357 \$133,900. Additional drive access available for \$15,900.</p>	<p><b>NEWER HOME ON QUIET ACRES</b> Newer 3 BR, 2 bath home featuring Pella windows, maintenance free vinyl siding, full basement, central air, and all situated on ten peaceful acres just minutes from the world famous Ausable River. FF-2234 \$214,900</p>
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**413' FRONTAGE ON OLD US-27.** 10 acres with hardwoods/Aspen. Hilly terrain with blacktop access road. Electricity. TS-2160 \$38,000

<p><b>NICELY WOODED RIVERFRONT SETTING WITH 82' FRONTAGE ON THE AUSABLE RIVER.</b> Cule &amp; cozy home or cottage. 724 s.f., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, knotty pine interior, and a Ben Franklin woodstove. 8 x 10 storage building and a dock in river. \$89,500 CH-2302</p>	<p><b>EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY PRICED BELOW ASSESSED VALUATION.</b> Log Lake Frontage, 1,200 s.f. 3 bedroom home with 2 1/2 baths. 90' French doors into great room overlooking small 8 acre lake (32' deep). 18 x 24 garage, landscaped yard, split rail fencing, circle black top drive and 12 x 16 storage shed/bunk house. \$141,500 CH-2325</p>	<p><b>BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF THE AUSABLE RIVER</b> with an english garden twist from the front of this remarkable home featuring a large porch with a large fireplace, 4 french doors, antique chandelier, maple kitchen cabinets with cherry finish, 3 car garage with 24 x 26 garage and a large deck. This home has been recently renovated in the past few years including new copper plumbing &amp; electrical. DB-2356 \$225,000</p>	<p><b>267' FRONT ON AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM</b> Rustic yet elegant 2,286 s.f. log home has private high bluff views, a stone fireplace, tile private patio, swimming pool, wrap-around deck, sun deck, spa, wet-suiters wrap-around deck, sun deck, fireplace, and blacktop drive. This kitchen has granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances, a spiral stone fireplace, vaulted ceilings, a spiral staircase, jacuzzi tub, central A/C, and custom lighting throughout. CH-2064 \$265,000</p>	<p><b>EXCEPTIONAL VIEWS OF THE EAST BRANCH OF THE AUSABLE RIVER.</b> Country riverfront living, secluded. 3,387 s.f. full 2nd basement used as family room with 3 additional bedrooms. 3,300 sq. ft. pole barn with concrete floor and drywalled ceiling. Home is across the road from a leased land giving access in 100's of acres of woods and miles of trails. GB-2220 \$149,900</p>	<p><b>HARDWOODS, HARDWOODS!</b> Exceptional 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with large sunny kitchen, surrounded by 8+ acres of beautiful mature hardwoods. Large living room and formal dining room with walkout to a large deck. Full 2nd basement used as family room with 3 additional bedrooms. 3,300 sq. ft. pole barn with concrete floor and drywalled ceiling. Home is across the road from a leased land giving access in 100's of acres of woods and miles of trails. GB-2220 \$149,900</p>	<p><b>COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS FINEST!</b> Newer Cape Cod on acreage with horse barn, fenced in pasture, and round pen. Wonderful living room, high efficiency heat pump, perimeter alarm, and brick walkout. House features 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, full basement, and a large 2,000 s.f. finished 2nd floor. Attached 24 x 40 garage with 12 x 12 attached garage. 2001 full kitchen, vaulted ceiling, and views of lake. Two car garage and shed for all the toys. FF-2354 \$125,900</p>
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**BACKS UP TO STATE LAND.** Beautiful recreational property. Hunting, snowmobiling, etc. 95% tree coverage with rolling terrain. TS-2180 \$79,000

<p><b>540' FEET OF FRONTAGE ON KOLKA CREEK.</b> This 3 1/2 bedroom, 3 bath home with full basement sits on 10.37 acres of land. Great year round home or cabin. Backyard could be used as a separate unit from the house having 1 BR, 1 bath, kitchen, living room, laundry room, exterior access and separate furnace. DBB-2156 \$117,000</p>	<p><b>AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM 275' FRONTAGE BACKING UP TO HANSON GAME RESERVE.</b> Very secluded close to Grayling! 4,112 s.f., 3 BR, brick ranch home with full basement, fireplace, two garages, enclosed river porch. Secluded yet close to town. All appliances and mostly furnished \$167,900 CH-2309</p>	<p><b>30 WOODED ACRES WITH 1/4 MILE FRONTAGE ON KOLKA CREEK.</b> A rare find with stunning and capturing views from almost every room. A very nice ranch home with full walkout lower level. The ranch plus a large country kitchen with bay window and sliding glass door onto 18 x 48 waterfront deck. Knotty pine 2nd floor and 30 x 40 heated and insulated pole barn. Features include maple kitchen cabinets, a river, walking trails, sprinker system and shelter building for boat/camp. CH-2376 \$255,000</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>
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**BEAUTIFUL RECREATIONAL PROPERTY.** Lots of wildlife (deer, bear, turkey, partridge, etc.). Borders thousands of acres of state land on three sides. TS-2248 \$120,000

<p><b>AUSABLE RIVER HEADWATERS.</b> 61 ACRES ADJOINING STATE LAND Bradford Creek frontage on each side. Second creek tributary through acreage. Two streams with approximately 4,400' frontage. Ideal location for recreational hunting/fishing retreat. Electricity, gas, well. CH-2329 \$139,900</p>	<p><b>141 FEET OF AUSABLE RIVER FRONTAGE.</b> Well maintained 3 bedroom, 3 bath home on 2+ acres. Features stone fireplace in living room, 12 x 30 dock, partially finished walkout basement with sliding door, large picture window overlooking horse shoe bend in river. 24 x 32 garage, river side garage &amp; swing. Stainway and deck in river. Some furnishings included \$185,000 CH-2334</p>	<p><b>185' FRONTAGE ON THE MANISTEE RIVER.</b> Original log cottage with rustic decor. 1,071 s.f., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Fireplace insert w/ blower, beamed cathedral ceiling, open staircase to loft, knotty pine interior accent, and two skylights. Large picture window overlooking horse shoe bend in river. 24 x 32 garage, river side garage &amp; swing. Stainway and deck in river. Some furnishings included \$185,000 CH-2334</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>
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**BEAUTIFUL HUNTING / RECREATIONAL PROPERTY.** 40 Acres with 100% tree coverage and rolling terrain. There is also a small cabin and outhouse on property. TS-2041 \$125,000

<p><b>185' FRONTAGE ON THE AUSABLE RIVER.</b> 218' Frontage across river. Priced below appraised value! Secluded 5 acres with frontage on each side of the Ausable River. 1,464 s.f. ranch home over looking a valley with beautiful mature pines, 3 BR, 1 bath, full partially finished basement and large heated sunroom. 24 x 36 attached garage and 12 x 16 storage shed. CH-2332 \$139,900</p>	<p><b>138' FRONTAGE ON THE MANISTEE RIVER.</b> Original log cottage with rustic decor. 1,071 s.f., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Fireplace insert w/ blower, beamed cathedral ceiling, open staircase to loft, knotty pine interior accent, and two skylights. Large picture window overlooking horse shoe bend in river. 24 x 32 garage, river side garage &amp; swing. Stainway and deck in river. Some furnishings included \$185,000 CH-2334</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>	<p><b>REDUCED \$10,000. WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.</b> All sports 2000 sq. ft. lake with concrete in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, rec room, large screened in porch facing the canal &amp; brick fireplace. Nice hardwood floors &amp; wood stove. Deeded beach access, parks and more. This your boat at your door. DBB-2305 \$248,900</p>
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**2. For Rent**

**VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS** are now taking applications for upcoming availability. Very nice 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments approximately one mile west of Grayling off M-72. Units include central air conditioning, attached garage, paved lighted streets and driveways, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. Lawn care, snow removal, and garbage pick-up included in annual lease. Contact Herb Olson at, 989-348-9456, for more information. (7/6/06f/2)

**UPPER UNIT** in duplex apartment for rent. 2 bedroom, newly decorated with stove and refrigerator for \$455 per month, plus security deposit at time of occupying. Water/sewage, electricity and garbage pick up included. References important. Call 989-348-7541 evenings or leave a message. (7/13/06f/2)

**2 BEDROOM HOUSE** in country, 8 miles south of Grayling. \$500, plus security deposit and references. 989-329-4826. (LR8/10/06/2)

**2. For Rent**

**LOWER UNIT** in duplex apartment for rent. 1 bedroom with stove and refrigerator for \$435 per month, plus security deposit at time of occupying. Water/sewage, electricity and garbage pick up included. Washer/dryer hook up. References important. Call 989-348-7541 evenings or leave a message. (7/13/06f/2)

**3 BEDROOM** 2 bath, in town, \$600, plus utilities, with option to buy. 989-732-6582. (-20-27/2)

**BEDROOM FOR RENT** Enjoy peace and quiet in this AuSable River home, surrounded by woods and wildlife, one mile from Grayling. \$325 a month. All utilities are free, including phone, electricity, cable TV and more. 348-2083. (7/20/06f/2)

**FOR RENT** 2 bedroom apartment located in town, \$550 per month. Call 710-1194 or 370-2745. (-27-3/2)

**FURNISHED LARGE ROOM** for rent in new home. \$350 a month, includes utilities and refrigerator. 989-390-6603. (-27/2)

**2. For Rent**

**NICE, CLEAN** 2 bedroom home close to town, well insulated. No pets. \$500 rent, plus deposit. Call 989-348-5428. (7/27/06f/2)

**FOR RENT** 1 bedroom apartment located in town. \$450 per month, utilities included. Call 710-1194 or 370-2745. (-27-3/2)

**EFFICIENCY CABIN** close to town. \$350 per month, \$350 security, \$50 cleaning fee. Utilities not included. 989-348-5124. (-27/2)

**RIVERVIEW SENIOR APTS.** 306 Knight St. in Grayling has one bedroom units available for immediate occupancy by qualified applicants. Rent based on income. Community room and laundry area for residents use. Send this ad with application and your second month is free. Applications at office on site or by calling 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI 49707. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD #1-800-855-1155. (-27-3/2)

**FOR RENT** 4 miles south of Grayling. 2 bedroom, large lot, stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer, garage. \$450/month, \$500 deposit plus utilities. No pets, non-smoking. 390-0804, 348-7002. (-27/2)

**3. Employment**

**ATTENTION DRIVERS** no experience necessary. TMC Transportation needs drivers. \$650 per week guaranteed. Off weekends. Local CDL training. 800-882-7364. (LR8/31/06/3)

**THE GRAYLING FAMILY PRACTICE** Clinic is accepting applications for an on-call/contingent CMA or Nurse. Send resume to: 1010 N. Down River Road W., Grayling, MI 49738, or you may stop in and fill out an application. Any questions, call (989) 348-7671 and ask for the office manager. (-20-27/3)

**HELP WANTED** Certified MA needed for busy physician office. 3 days/week to start. Able to perform clerical duties as well as clinical duties. Experience preferred. Please forward resume with references to: MA Resume, PO Box 552, Grayling, MI 49738. (-13-20-27/3)

**FOOD SERVICE ATTENDANTS/KP'S** July 26 - August 12. Special Project Camp Grayling. \$12.45 per hour, preferred experienced KP's. Call Choice Services, Inc. 1-800-758-4775. EOE (-20-27/3)

**EARN EXTRA INCOME** from home. Internet based. Visit our web at [www.ihaveaplan.com/4freedom](http://www.ihaveaplan.com/4freedom). (LR9/21/06/3)

**3. Employment**

**COOKS** July 26 - August 12. Special Project Camp Grayling. \$12.70 per hour. Must have military food service or high volume cooking experience. Call Choice Services, Inc. 1-800-758-4775. EOE (-20-27/3)

**HILLTOP MANOR** Healthcare Center has an immediate opening for an Assistant Office Manager. Job duties include processing payroll, preparing accounts payable, answering phones and other general receptionist duties. Please submit a cover letter and resume to: Hilltop Manor Healthcare Center, 1290 E. Michigan Highway, Roscommon, MI 48653. (LR8/10/06/3)

**IN-HOME CARE PROVIDER** The Crawford County Commission on Aging is accepting applications for an on-call In-Home Care Provider. Duties include light housekeeping, assistance with personal care and supervision of clients. Preferred candidates will have two years caregiving experience or Nurse's Aide certification. Application packets can be picked up at 308 Lawndale, Grayling. Deadline is 5 pm 08/1/06. (-20-27/3)

**COMPUTER WHIZ NEEDED** part-time. Up date website, program adjustment, etc. Call Ernie at 989-348-4006. (-27-3/3)

**HELP WANTED** Lawn care and landscaping. 989-348-5725. (-27/3)

**3. Employment**

**DRIVERS WANTED** Earn tax free income by transporting people to medical appointments in your community. Drivers are required to have a 1996 or newer 4-door car/van and must have an excellent driving record. Drivers are reimbursed for mileage and wait time with potential earnings of \$150 - \$350 per week. Semi-retired, retired people welcome to apply. Call 989-738-8671. (LR8/17/06/3)

**COUPLE TO MANAGE** a mid Michigan game farm. Looking for experience with farm equipment and guiding hunts, good office skills and customer service. Living arrangements provided. Contact Lynne: P.O. Box 244, Pinckney, MI 48169. (-27/3)

**HELP WANTED** Wrecker driver. Chauffeurs and medical card needed. 989-348-6288. (-27-3/3)

**NURSE'S AIDE** The Brook Retirement Community, Roscommon, caregiver for assisted living residents. Average 30 hours week, days/afternoons. Competitive pay, benefits. Stop in between 9 am - 3 pm, 195 State Street, Roscommon. Deadline August 6, 2006. (-27-3/3)

**GENERAL LABORERS** needed for stacking and sorting products in the Grayling area. First and second shift positions available. Possible full-time opportunity. Call 989-705-2120 to schedule appointment. EOE. (-27-3/3)

**1. Real Estate****1. Real Estate****Public Auction****HOUSE FOR SALE**  
Wednesday, August 2, 2006

Property is located at 126 MaryAnn, Grayling, Michigan  
The sale will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse in Grayling, MI

Minimum bid is \$51,951.00

Property Sells "AS IS"

The home has 3 bedrooms 1 bath and is situated on 14,400 sq. ft. of property

This foreclosure sale is subject to six month redemption rights.

Terms - Certified funds delivered to the Sheriff at the sale

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**PART-TIME INSTRUCTORS:** Kirtland Community College is accepting applications for skilled part-time technical and industrial process teaching positions at the M-TEC in Gaylord, Michigan. Individuals trained and experienced in advance welding techniques, machining, CAD, HVAC, industrial maintenance, electrical technology, building and construction, outdoor power engines and related courses are being sought. Advanced certifications as appropriate and three or more years of related experience, or combination of education and experience commensurate with requirements of the position are necessary. These positions require an ability to effectively communicate and demonstrate appropriate skills to both entry level and advanced students. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, three letters of reference, copies of credentials, and unofficial transcripts to Human Resources Department, 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653. Kirtland Community College is an equal employment opportunity/affirmative action employer.

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Candidate must be a graduate from a accredited school and have a current Michigan license. Requirements: Minimum 1 year of professional nursing experience, ability to assess and act upon client needs without direct supervision, and willingness to travel in our geographic region. Automated documentation system, experience with this a plus. Incredible benefits, competitive pay, some on-call responsibility. For immediate consideration, please fax resume to:

Brenda Lake, Business Manager  
Fax 989-348-0047  
Or call 1-800-424-1457 or 1-800-822-8318

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**RESPIRATORY THERAPIST**  
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**GRAYLING MERCY HOSPITAL** has a full-time opening for a Registered/Certified Respiratory Therapist to provide quality respiratory therapy for our patients. Schedule will be 12 hour shifts, 72 hours per pay period. Night shift. Must be a Registered or Certified by the National Board for Respiratory Care. Previous experience preferred. Please contact:

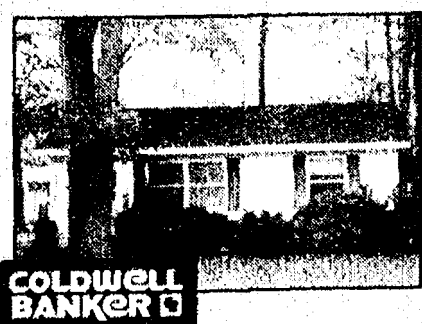
Human Resources  
Mercy Hospital Grayling  
1100 E. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738  
Phone: 989-348-0570  
Fax (989) 348-0485  
e-mail: [slewis@trinity-health.org](mailto:slewis@trinity-health.org)

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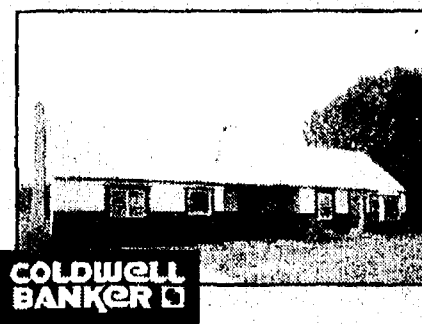
**Great starter home!**

Great starter home! Located near Houghton Lake, shopping and schools. 2 bedroom, home in need of TLC, sold 'as is'. Possible 1.5% of purchase price for closing cost. Priced right. Address: 830 Federal Ave, Houghton Lake, MI; 48629 #246422 \$34,900

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**LOCATED IN QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD.**

Located in quiet neighborhood. This 1140 sq ft home sits on 1 acre. Home features 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, appliances, ceiling fan and newer Weather King Furnace. It needs some finish-up work and updates. Possible 1.5% of purchase price available to help cover closing cost. Address: 10114 Lone Pine Rd, Houghton Lake, MI; 48629 #246381 \$52,500

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Very cozy 2 bedroom home tucked back in area close to town. Fenced in back yard, sprinkler system, wall air conditioning, stove, refrigerator and fire pit. #246234 \$106,500



Newer home w/custom cabinets & trim, large kitchen, oak flooring, tile in breezeway, utility room & all baths. All solid 6 panel doors w/ solid pocket in dr. Large partially finished basement w/ bilco door to outside, bath, den & cabinets built-in. Water & electric to garden area, many more amenities too numerous to mention. #246231 \$178,000

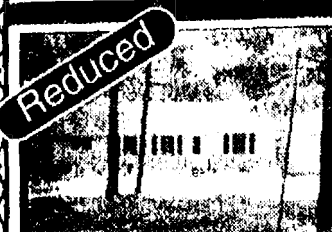
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The famous Slob Camp! Excellent location between Stephan Bridge and Wakeley Bridge Roads. 1 bath, 1 bedroom, 39 acres on blacktop road, knotty pine throughout, fireplace. Cabin is ready to use. #246327 \$51,900



Private 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in excellent shape and situated on 10 acres with a mixture of pines and a few hardwoods, good hunting area. 3/4 basement with 896 sq. ft. AuSable River and snowmobile trails close by. Includes 1 year home warranty. #245677 \$157,900



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### 3. Employment

**CARPENTER WITH EXPERIENCE NEEDED** Must have valid driver's license and reliable transportation. Looking for ambitious individual who is reliable, willing to work and has positive working skills. If interested call 989-275-5749. (-27/3)

**LEELIN** Home Health Care, Inc. is accepting applications for home health aides in Grayling and surrounding areas. If interested in being part of our rewarding team, contact us at our corporate office to schedule an interview, 1-800-274-0100, Monday - Friday, 8 am - 4 pm. EOE. (-27-3/3)

### 4. Services Offered

**ROOFING ROOFING ROOFING** all shingle, tear off, or new construction. 20 years experience. Call Scott for free estimate. 348-5817, 390-1526. (LR8/31/06/4)

**SEWING, ZIPPERS, MENDING** quilter. Ask for Lorrie (989)348-9349. (LR8/3/06/4)

**I CHARGE** by the job, not by the hour. Yard work, landscaping, raking, mowing, window washing, painting, detailing, washing, waxing, cars, trucks, vans. Will make them sparkle inside, and shine outside. 348-5081. (LR7/27/06/4)

**PROFESSIONAL HEMMING** jeans, dresses, slacks, etc. Custom made bedding. 989-344-2444. (3/16/06/4)

**D. HAWES** Northern Driving School--NDS will be offering Segment I and Segment II courses during the spring/summer months. Classes will be held in Grayling on May 1, June 12, and July 6. Roscommon: April 12, June 12, and August 1. Mio: April 12 and June 12. Classes forming now, call for information. Newer model cars and certified, professional instructors. No book fees and no hidden costs. (989) 344-2470. (3/30/06/4)

**"WE'LL PAINT YOUR HOME** like it was our own." Interior/exterior house painting, power washing, deck staining/sealing. Small local company with reasonable rates. Free estimates. 989-858-3635. (LR8/3/06/4)

**RTH HOME IMPROVEMENT** all your interior and exterior needs. Garages, additions, drywall, painting, roofing, siding, decks, and more. Licensed and insured, free estimates. Rob Harrington 989-344-1383. (-9/16/04/4)

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### 8. Announcements

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### 4. Services Offered

**DRIVER'S EDUCATION** Segment 1, 2, automobile and motorcycle road testing available from the Grayling Driver's Training School. 348-8838. Classes, August 10, September 11. Best rates. (LR8/3/06/4)

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL** Kabota backhoe/loader, by the day or week. \$150, delivery available. Call 989-348-9714. (LR7/27/06/4)

**CARPET INSTALLER** has several roll's of carpet and vinyl in stock. Carpet starting at \$12.99 per yard, installed. Also, re-stretches, repairs, and installation, plus custom tile work. 348-4768. (6/22/06/4)

**MILLTOWN FENCE** All types, installed and repaired. Free Estimate. (989) 348-9188. (LR8/31/06/4)

**SEAMS LIKE HOME** Get your patches and name tags sewn on your uniforms. Any kind of uniform. Military, VFW, Fire Dept., Police Dept. Call 348-7220. Hours: M - W, 5 pm to 9 pm. Fri., 9 am to 5 pm. Take a chance Saturday. (LR8/03/06/4)

**RELIABLE COLLEGE STUDENT** looking for work, will babysit, clean houses, dog or cat sitting. 348-7529, ask for Beth. (-27/4)

### 5. For Sale

**QUEEN SIZE MATTRESS** set with Amish made pine log headboard and free frame still in plastic, never used. Cost \$800, will sacrifice for \$235. Call (989) 539-3910. (7/3/03/5)

**QUEEN SIZE PILLOW TOP** mattress and box springs new in plastic with Amish made pine log headboard. Cost \$995 will sacrifice for \$285. Call (989) 539-3910. (7/3/03/5)


**AMISH BUILT** pine log bed. Queen size, beautiful, must see. Will sell for \$265. Queen size mattress set, new in plastic with free frame will sacrifice \$150. Call (989) 539-3910. (7/3/03/5)

**CABIN LOGS** rough sawn lumber, kiln dried lumber, tongue & groove, log siding, custom sawing. T. Warran Sawmill. 989-619-0840. (LR8/31/06/5)

**MEAD TELESCOPE LX90** 8", hardly used with approximately \$1,000 of attachments and accessories. \$1,600. 348-9034. (-20-27/5)

**1968 LAYTON TRAVEL TRAILER** 20 ft., must sell, \$400. 586-531-2663, 586-949-5407. (-27-3/5)

### 9. Personals

**BORN JULY 26, 1990**  
  
A.K.A. LIL TIFTER  
#55 BASKET BALL  
NOW SHE HAS HER DRIVERS LICENSE  
**HAPPY 16TH BIRTHDAY: TIFFANY DAVIS**  
FROM YOUR FAMILY

### 8. Announcements

### 5. For Sale

**LIKE NEW** 20', 2003 Manitou pontoon, 40 hp 4-stroke Johnson motor, bunk trailer with front stair access, with accessories. 989-348-8843. (-13-20-27/5)

**DOWNTOWN GAYLORD** Sidewalk Sales. Fri. & Sat., August 4 & 5, starting at 9 am. (-20-27-3/5)

**10' HARRIS BOTE** swimming raft, \$1,000. 348-9034. (-20-27/5)

**1990 GMC** with plow, 1998 Arctic Cat with 4 helmets, air compressor with tools, treadmill, AC unit, furnace, tree steps, weed wackers, chain saws, hedge trimmer, refrigerator, chain fall, propane heater, snow blower, Mr. Heater, wheelbarrow, grass seed, smoker, food dehydrators. Evenings, 989-348-8843. (-20-27/5)

**HUNTING-FISHING-CAMPING SPECIAL** 1977 Rockwood class C motor home. Rebuilt engine has 26,000 miles, interior nicely redecorated, spare tire, extras. Must see to fully appreciate. \$3,000/OBO. 772-285-6635. (-20-27/5)

**REFRIGERATORS** really nice, 12' upright freezer, electric dryers, all are warranted. P & C Appliance Service. 348-0167. (-20-27/5)

**XR 250 R HONDA 2004** Great trail bike, already ported with over-size cam and uncorked. \$2,500 or best. (LR8/17/06/5)

**CAIRN TERRIER PUPPIES** AKC, vaccinated and wormed. 231-585-7187. (-25/5)

**AB SQUEEZE** exercise machine, used very few times, \$75/OBO. 989-390-6603. (-27/5)

**LAZY BOY** sleeper sofa and matching loveseat with recliners, good condition. \$75 each. 989-348-5296. (-27/5)

**14' SEA NYMPH** with 15 hp Mercury motor, fish finder, galvanized trailer, \$1,650. 989-348-7954. (-27/5)

### 6. Wanted

**WANTED-SCRAP VEHICLES** top dollar paid. Pick up available. 888-471-3818. (3/3/05/6)

**WANTED TO BUY** Rittenhouse or Habitant cottage furniture. 248-851-7585. (03/2/06/6)

### 7. Miscellaneous

**CUSTOM SIGNS & LETTERING** for your business, truck or trailer. Large format digital banners and billboards. Call Pete Kocefas at 989-348-8627, 1-800-848-1268. (720/06/7)

**LOST FAMILY PET** Tri-color Beagle has been missing since July 18 from N. Manistee River Rd. Be careful approaching her. Please call us, we will pick her up. 989-344-0699. (-27/7)

**Crossword Answers**

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### 8. Announcements

### 7. Miscellaneous

**FREE TO GOOD HOME** 5 year old Lab mix brothers. 348-8843. (-27/7)

### 8. Announcements

**PUBLIC INVITED** to a luncheon Thursday, August 3, from 11 to 1 pm, at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Takeouts available. Cost is \$5 per person. (-27/8)

**FAMILY GRIEF** or general counseling. GRACE Center, Grayling. 989-348-2544. (7/13/06/8)

**CLASS OF 1996** 10 year reunion August 26. Contact Brion (Davis) Thompson at grayling1996@hotmail.com or 1-231-947-2721 for details. (-27/8)

**LEVI AND KANE JAMMING** "Of the Shire", live acoustic music. July 29, Ray's: 5:45 - 6:30 pm, Borchers: 8:00 - 9:20 pm. Every Saturday in August, 7 - 11 pm, Big Buck Brewery in Gaylord. (-27/8)

### 10. Garage Sales

**DOWNTOWN GAYLORD** Sidewalk Sales. Fri. & Sat., August 4 & 5, starting at 9 am. (-20-27-3/10)

**YARD SALE** 8415 W. Hulbert Rd., Frederic, Sat. - Sun., 9 to 5. Crafts, furniture, housewares, leather jacket, clothing and more. (-27/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Sat. & Sun., 9 - 5. 2150 Shaw Park Rd. off Stephan Bridge Rd., between M-72 East and N. Down River. Good Stuff. (-27/10)

**80 NORTH ROBERTS RD** off N. Down River, Fri. & Sat., 10 - 6. Air hockey, couches, tools, kitchen items and more. (-27/10)

**ANTIQUES, COINS** old tools, toys, glassware, guns, archery, fishing/hunting gear, furniture, collectibles. Thurs., July 27 - Sat., 9 - 6, Rt. 612 between Hartwick Pines Rd. and Jones Lake Rd. (-27/10)

**ESTATE SALE** Aug. 4 - Aug. 5, 9 am - 4 pm, 114 Alexia Lane, Grayling Mobile Estates. 1988 GMC Sierra ext. cab, 5.7 L V8, PS, PB. 5th wheel trailer, tools, auto parts, hunting equipment, antiques, doors (int/ext), large/small appliances, wood burning stove, dinette set with 6 chairs, buffet, china cabinet, 120 channel c.b., furniture, lots more. (-27-3/10)

### 5. For Sale

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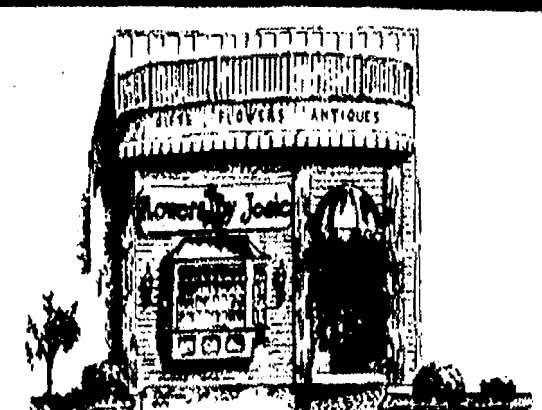
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**GARAGE SALE** July 28, 29, 9 - 4. Downsizing. Lots of free things, household, sporting goods, furniture. 1772 S. Stephan Bridge Rd. (-27/10)

**202 N. PARK DRIVE** North Down to Roberts. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8 - 5. Used natural gas boiler, wood cook stove, hedge trimmer, antique love seat, tots clothes, some antiques, household items, lots of good stuff. (-27/10)

**GARAGE SALE** 1407 Manistee River Rd., Saturday, Sunday, 10 - 3. (-27/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Scanner, TV, entertainment center, toys (some new), scrub tops (lg), infant, toddlers, girls, boys, ladies clothes, luggage, dishes, much kitchenware, winter jackets, lots of misc. Sat., July 29, 10 til 4, Sun., July 30, 12 til 4. 72 East to 3452 Chase Bridge Rd., turn right, 3rd house on right. (-27/10)

**CAR DETAILING:** Let JJ's Motor Mall make your vehicle sparkle, inside & out! 348-7710. (9/29/05tf/11)

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## LEGAL ACTION

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Please contact the office below if you are in active military service.

DEFAULT having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by AUSABLE VALLEY INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC, by ROBERT L. BUTLER and GLEN R. CARLSON, members, Mortgages, to First Federal of Northern Michigan, Mortgagee, dated the 5th day of June, 2003, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 11th day of June, 2003, in Liber 638 of County Records, pages 118-123, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Sixty Thousand One Hundred Seven and 51/100 Dollars (\$60,107.51). And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 6th day of September, 2006, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance, Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan, the being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 10.000% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned.

necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, Block 6, of PORTAGE HEIGHTS, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 23, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

GAGEE:

FIRST FEDERAL OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN  
100 S. Second Avenue  
Alpena, MI 49707

Dated: June 30, 2006

Keith Wallace, P21932  
Isackson & Wallace, P.C.  
Attorney for Mortgagee, First Federal of Northern Michigan  
114 S. Second Avenue  
Alpena, Michigan 49707

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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall

be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas D. Slavens, A Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 22, 2004, and recorded on September 28, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 687, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty And 70/100 Dollars (\$154,930.70), including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on August 30, 2006.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A; Part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 7, Thence South 01 Degrees 21 Minutes West (Along the West 1/8 Line) 17.25 Feet to the Southeastly Right of Way of M-72 and M-93; Thence North 45 Degrees 45 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 340 Feet; Thence North 44 Degrees 21 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 105.03 Feet; Thence South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 305.18 Feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence Continuing South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 331.10 Feet to the Left Bank of the Ausable River; Thence South 47 Degrees 30 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 100.90 Feet; Thence South 87 Degrees 15 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 165.00 Feet; Thence North 66 Degrees 06 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 115.40 Feet; Thence North 20 Feet 32 Minutes East 257.50 Feet to the Point of Beginning. This Parcel Extends to the Waters Edge of the Ausable River with

Full Riparian Rights thereto.

Also Subject to and use of: An 83 Foot Easement for Ingress and Egress, Lying 33 Feet on the Left of Northeastly side and 50 Feet on the Right or Southwestly side of a Line described as Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; Thence South 01 Degrees 21 Minutes West (Along the West 1/8 Line) 17.25 Feet to the Southeastly Right-of-Way of M-72 and M-93; Thence North 45 Degrees 45 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 340 feet; Thence North 44 Degrees 21 Minutes East (Along said Right-of-Way) 105.3 Feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence South 50 Feet 14 Minutes East 390.18 Feet to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 27, 2006

For more information, please call:

FC X 248.593.1302

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

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## LEGAL ACTION

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To qualify for the LIFELINE program, 2006 annual household income must be at or below 150% of the federal poverty levels shown below.

Family Size	Gross Monthly Income Less Than	Gross Annual Income Less Than*
1	\$1,225	\$14,700
2	1,650	19,800
3	2,075	24,900
4	2,500	30,000
5	2,925	35,100
6	3,350	40,200
7	3,775	45,300
8	4,200	50,400

\*Subject to change. Add \$5,100 for each additional household member.

Or, the person must participate in one of the following federal assistance programs: Medicaid, Food Stamps, Federal Public Housing Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP), National School Lunch Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Toll Blocking Service (TBS) support allows eligible consumers who wish to avoid incurring long long distance fees to choose toll blocking at no cost.

A resident of tribal lands qualifies for LIFELINE and LINK UP if he or she meets the above criteria, or by participating in one of the following programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance Program, Tribal-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Head Start (income-qualified customer only) or National School Lunch Program (free lunch program).

For further information on LIFELINE and LINK UP, visit www.lifeline.gov.

If you or someone you know may be eligible for this program, please call Upper Peninsula Telephone Company for an application.

If you are not a customer of Upper Peninsula Telephone Company, please contact your local telephone service provider for an application.

Upper Peninsula Telephone Company  
397 US 41 N., P.O. Box 86  
Carnegie, MI 49812-0086  
906-638-2111 (Local)  
800-650-6506 (Toll Free)

### NOTICE OF CHANGE OF MEETING DATE CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

The Crawford County Road Commission shall be changing the date of the regular Board meeting scheduled for August 10, 2006 to August 9, 2006.

Posted: July 13, 2006

### FREDERIC TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE

The Frederic Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the draft Zoning ordinance update at 7 pm on August 7, 2006, in the Frederic Township Hall at 7564 W. County Rd. 612, in Frederic.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the draft ordinance update. Copies of the draft ordinance are available for review at the Frederic Township offices. For additional information, contact the Frederic Township Zoning Administrator, Doug Pratt, at 989-348-8840 ext 3. Written comments will be accepted until the close of the public hearing at the Township Hall, and can be sent in advance to the Frederic Township Planning Commission, P.O. Box 78, Frederic, MI 49733-0078.

### PUBLIC ACCURACY NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for August 8, 2006 Primary Election has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 1, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at each of the following voting precincts located in Crawford County, Grayling, MI:

Township	Precinct #	Clerk
Grayling City Hall 1020 City Blvd. P.O. Box 549 Grayling, MI 49738	701	Michele Moshier 348-2131
Beaver Creek Township 8888 S. Grayling Rd. Grayling MI 49738	101	Sharon Hartman 275-8878
Frederic Township 7565 W. County Rd 612 Frederic, MI 49733	201	Nancy Bindschatel 348-8778
Grayling Township 2090 Viking Way P.O. Box 521 Grayling, MI 49738	302, 304,305 306 & 307	Monica Ashton 348-4361
Lovells Township 8405 Twin Bridge Rd. Grayling, MI 49738	401	Cheryl Hopp 348-9215
Maple Forest Township 2520 W. Marker Rd. Frederic, MI 49733	501	Sandra Baynham 348-5794
South Branch Township 5245 M-18 Roscommon, MI 48653	601	Laura Smith 275-8232

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program(s) and the election ballot counters being used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Sandra Moore  
Crawford County Clerk

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing concerning the Michigan State Housing Development Authority Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) grant. The application request for \$85,400 is proposed to be used to help fund the demolition of property located at 117 Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling. It is expected that this project will benefit the entire community.

The public hearing will be held on Monday, July 31, 2006 at 7:30 pm. at the Grayling City Hall, located at 1020 City Boulevard, Grayling, MI. All interested persons are invited to attend this public hearing, especially persons of low and moderate income and those living within the project area and/or owning property within the project area.

Michele Moshier  
City Clerk

### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP SEEKS ZONING BOARD APPLICANTS

Grayling Township is seeking persons who would like to serve their community as a three-year appointee to the Grayling Township Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

The zoning board hears and determines periodic requests for dimensional variances to the township zoning ordinance and interprets the zoning ordinance for the zoning administrator when necessary. All meetings are held on the third Monday of every month, in the township meeting room, at 7 p.m.

All necessary information is provided to ZBA members prior to meeting in public session to hear any request. Members must be willing to visit properties prior to meeting to discuss them.

Interested applicants must be residents of Grayling Township, and must send a letter of request to: Grayling Township Zoning Board; C/O Terry Wright; PO Box 521; Grayling, MI 49738.

This appointment will be made by the Grayling Township Board of Trustees on Wednesday, August 9, 2006 and will take effect immediately.

Terry R. Wright  
Supervisor/Zoning Administrator

### DEADLINE FOR BIDS EXTENDED

DUE TO A DELAY IN DEVELOPING SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE BELOW DESCRIBE PROJECT, THE DEADLINE FOR BIDS HAVE BEEN EXTENDED TO JULY 28, 2006. SPECIFICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE.

The Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee is accepting bids for the replacement of the roof on the Grayling Fish Hatchery building and the removal, repair and reinstallation of the existing cupola on the roof. Bids for the removal, repair and reinstallation of the cupola are to be separate from bids for the roof repair. Different bidders may be successful for each portion of the project. Two bids on the cupola are required: one for removal, restoration and replacement and one for total reconstruction as exactly as possible to the original.

The successful bidder(s) must have the appropriate licenses and bonding; must demonstrate the ability to properly complete the work as specified; must be eligible to bid on US government funded projects; will obtain all necessary permits and comply with the 2003 Michigan Building Code.

Bids will be accepted until July 28, 2006. The project is to be completed by September 30, 2006.

For specifications and to arrange for on-site inspection contact Bruce Patrick at (989) 344-3258 or Gaye Pizzi at (989) 344-3235.

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John D. Kidd, a married man and Denise M. Kidd, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 12, 2004, and recorded on December 8, 2004 in Liber 672 on Page 811, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Three And 44/100 Dollars (\$75,293.44), including interest at 6% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front

door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on August 16, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 455, Indian Glens of the Ausable Unit 6, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Pages 1-14, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 13, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #097988F01

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Danny G. Bumbalough, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Lender and Lender's successor's and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 9, 2006, and recorded on January 10, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 385, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank National Association, as Trustee as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Three And 49/100 Dollars (\$157,193.49), including interest at 9.475% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on August 30, 2006.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 27, Town 28 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.  
Dated: July 27, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC S 248.593.1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #099234F01

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# FORECLOSURE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Wayne Mcmann and Laura Mcmann, to Delta Funding Corporation, a New York Corporation Mortgagee, dated January 26, 2000 and recorded February 23, 2000 in Liber 502 Page 59 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee f/k/a Norwest

Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Trust 2000-1, by assignment dated April 3, 2001 and recorded July 23, 2001 in Liber 543, Page 361, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Seventy-One Cents (\$44,236.71) including interest, 10.79% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM, on Wednesday, August 2, 2006. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 80 Feet of the South 300 Feet of the West One-Half of the East One-Half of the East One-Half of the Northeast One-Quarter of the Northwest One-Quarter of Section 2, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan Commonly known as 8544 West Cameron Bridge, Frederic MI 49733 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: JUNE 20, 2006 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Trusts: Potosi & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 06-49402 ASAF# 777511 06/29/2006, 07/06/2006, 07/13/2006, 07/20/2006, 07/27/2006 -29-6-13-20-27

## Volunteers needed at Recycling Center

Grayling Township is looking for people who may wish to volunteer time working at the recycling center on North Down River Road. All hours worked can count towards graduation requirements for students, and will satisfy mandatory community service requirements for persons on court probation.

Volunteers will work with a small team of employees sorting and baling recyclables and waiting on the public when they drop off items to be recycled. Any number of hours per week, from 8-to-48, are available for work.

Grayling Township is dedicated to recycling as an earth-friendly service which saves our natural resources and keeps reusable items out of our landfills. Since 1997, the Grayling Township Recycling Center has sent more than 8-million pounds of recyclable items back to markets for remanufacturing.

Interested persons may contact John Wotring at (89) 348-3195 at the recycling center, or Terry Wright at (989) 348-4361 at Grayling Township.

## MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP DANGEROUS STRUCTURES ORDINANCE Ordinance No. 16 of 2006

THE TOWNSHIP OF MAPLE FOREST ORDAINS:

### Section 1. "Dangerous Structure" Defined.

As used in this Ordinance a "dangerous structure" means a building or structure that has one (1) or more of the following defects or is in one (1) or more of the following conditions:

- A portion of the building or structure is damaged by fire, wind, flood, or other cause so that the structural strength or stability of the building or structure is appreciably less than it was before the catastrophe and does not meet the minimum requirements of the building code enforced within the Township for a new building or structure.
- A part of the building or structure is likely to fall, become detached or dislodged, or collapse and injure persons or damage property.
- A portion of the building or structure has settled to such an extent that walls or other structural portions of the building or structure have materially less resistance to wind than is required in the case of new construction by the building code enforced within the Township.
- The building or structure, or a part of the building or structure, because of dilapidation, deterioration, decay, faulty construction, or the removal or movement of some portion of the ground necessary for the support, or for other reasons, is likely to partially or completely collapse, or some portion of the foundation or underpinning of the building or structure is likely to fall or give way.
- The building, structure, or a part of the building or structure is manifestly unsafe for the purpose for which it is used.
- The building or structure is damaged by fire, wind, or flood, or is dilapidated or deteriorated and has become an attractive nuisance to children who might play in the building or structure to their danger.
- The building or structure is vacant, dilapidated, and opened at door or window, leaving the interior of the building exposed to the elements or accessible to entrance by trespassers.

### Section 2. Prohibition.

No person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, partnership, or other legal entity shall own, occupy or maintain any dangerous structure within the Township.

### Section 3. Notice.

If a building or structure is found to be a dangerous structure, the Township shall give the owner of the building or structure written notice of the dangerous condition and thirty (30) days to demolish and remove the dangerous structure from the property or to repair the dangerous structure to make it safe. The notice may be personally delivered to the owner or mailed to the owner by first class mail at the address shown on the assessor's rolls.

### Section 4. Inspection.

Township representatives shall have the right to inspect buildings or structures to determine violations of or compliance with this Ordinance. Township representatives may exercise this right to inspection by consent of the person having the right to possession of the building or structure or any part thereof, or by administrative search warrant.

### Section 5. Penalty.

Any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a municipal civil infraction as defined in Public Act 12 of 1994, amending Public Act 236 of 1981, being Sections 600.101-600.9939 of Michigan Compiled Laws, and shall be subject to a fine of not more than Five Hundred and 00/100 (\$500.00) Dollars. Each day this Ordinance is violated shall be considered as a separate violation.

### Section 6. Enforcement.

The Township Ordinance Enforcement Officer and other persons designated by the Township Board are hereby designated as the authorized township officials to issue municipal civil infraction citations directing alleged violators of this Ordinance to appear in court.

### Section 7. Nuisance.

A violation of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be a public nuisance or a nuisance per se and is declared to be offensive to the public health, safety and welfare.

### Section 8. Injunctive Relief.

In addition to enforcing this Ordinance through the use of a municipal civil infraction proceeding, the Township may initiate proceedings in the Circuit Court to abate or eliminate the nuisance per se or any other violation of this Ordinance.

### Section 9. Abatement by Township.

If a Court of competent jurisdiction finds the owner or occupant of a building or structure in violation of this Ordinance, the Court, in addition to ordering the owner or occupant to demolish the dangerous structure and remove it from the property or to repair the dangerous structure to make it safe, may authorize the Township to demolish the dangerous structure and remove it from the property or to repair the dangerous structure to make it safe. The Court, however, shall not authorize the Township to demolish the dangerous structure if the cost of repairing the building or structure to a safe condition is less than the state equalized value for the building or structure.

### Section 10. Cost Recovery; Lien.

- The costs incurred by the Township in demolishing the dangerous structure and removing it from the property or repairing the dangerous structure to a safe condition, including reasonable attorney fees, shall be reimbursed to the Township by the owner or party in interest in whose name the property appears.
- The owner or party in interest in whose name the property appears upon the last local tax assessment roll shall be notified by the assessor of the amount of the costs of the demolition or repair of the dangerous structure by first-class mail at the address shown on the records. If the owner or party in interest fails to pay the costs within thirty (30) days after mailing by the assessor of the notice of the amount of the costs, the Township shall have a lien for the costs incurred by the Township to bring the property into compliance with this Ordinance. The lien shall not take effect until notice of the lien has been filed or recorded as provided by law. The lien provided for in this subsection does not have priority over previously filed or recorded liens and encumbrances. The lien for the costs shall be collected and treated in the same manner as provided for property tax liens under the state General Property Tax Act.

### Section 11. Validity.

If any section, provision or clause of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not effect any remaining portions or application of this Ordinance, which can be given effect without the invalid portion or application.

### Section 12. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after being published in a newspaper of general circulation within the township.

TOWNSHIP OF MAPLE FOREST

Mark D. Kniss  
Supervisor

Sandra L Baynham  
Clerk

### ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

At a regular meeting of the Maple Forest Township Board, Crawford County, Michigan held in the Maple Forest Township Hall, located at 8996 N. Sherman Rd., Grayling, Michigan, on July 18, 2006, at 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

It was moved by Baynham and supported by Madill that the following Ordinance be adopted:

(See attached MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE)

YES: 4

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

### ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

By: Mark D. Kniss

Mark D. Kniss, Supervisor

I, the undersigned, the Clerk of the Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Maple Forest Township Board of said County at its regular meeting held on July 18, 2006, relative to adoption of the ordinance therein set forth; that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be made available as required by said Act; this ordinance was published in the Crawford County Avalanche on July 26, 2006 and was filed with the County Clerk on July 19, 2006.

Dated: July 19, 2006

Sandra Baynham, Clerk

Note: The Ordinance and this Ordinance Certification should be filed with the County Clerk within one (1) week of publication and the Ordinance should be placed in the Township Ordinance Book.